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BOARD OF LIVESTOCK REMOVES DEPUTY APPOINTMENTS

The Board of Livestock in its official capacity as Director, Department of Livestock, acted July 30, 1974 to remove Deputy State Veterinarian appointments from two Montana veterinarians.

In the first case, the appointment was revoked for eighteen months because a Montana practitioner had permitted unauthorized use of official documents, namely official health certificates, which are the property of the Department of Livestock. The second case, involved the use of official documents in reporting Brucellosis Strain 19 vaccination done by other than the veterinarian and in which case the deputyship of the Montana practitioner was suspended for sixty days.

Only those Montana veterinarians with Deputy State Veterinarian appointments are permitted to use official department forms.

The Board of Livestock, as evidenced by this recent action, is concerned that high professional standards be maintained by practitioners who also serve as Deputy State Veterinarians both in the use of official forms and in the performance of official acts. It is expected that the Board will act strongly against future derelictions of duty in order that the livestock industry of the state might be better served.

REGIONAL (INTERNATIONAL) SYLVATIC RABIES CONFERENCE

Three departments of state government of Montana are sponsoring a regional conference on rabies in Billings September 17, 18 and 19, 1974, at the Ramada Inn. Emphasis will be on skunk rabies as a problem in the Northern Plains of the U.S. and adjoining Canadian provinces.

The conference program agenda provides panel deliberations in four areas:

- (1) State and province programs now in existence;
- (2) Population controls now available and anticipated;
- (3) Renewed research goals and regional research approaches;
- (4) Organization of a regional commission or authority for skunk rabies research and control.

Panel participants will include representatives from wildlife, public health and animal health agencies of state, provincial and federal government as well as E.P.A. and H.E.W. States and provinces participating in panels and in regional organization will be Alberta, Colorado, Iowa, Manitoba, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Saskatchewan, South Dakota and Wyoming.

This conference will be open to public attendance. Monitoring by veterinarians, university students, public health officials, county commissioners, city officials and all other segments of public service with interests in the skunk rabies problem is solicited and encouraged.

The subject matter included in this conference as planned by the Montana Departments of Fish and Game, Livestock and Health and Environmental Sciences will provide the participants and public a complete review of the skunk rabies problem in the region and concepts for a new approach to research and methodology for control.

It is hoped Montana veterinarians and those veterinarians of the region will plan to attend this conference and be benefited by the technical knowledge that the deliberations will provide.

NO EQUINE ENCEPHALITIS CASES TO DATE

During the months of June and July, which were months of very high mosquito population in Montana, no cases of Equine Encephalitis were laboratory diagnosed. To date, specimens from eleven equine cases have been submitted for diagnostic determination. The most recent reports on "sleepers" support the veterinarian's field diagnosis of encephalitis, but laboratory results are not yet available.

Historically, August has been the month of peak occurrence of equine encephalitis in Montana. It is important that any "sleeping sickness" cases be reported to the Animal Health Division office in Helena by telephone so that diagnostic measures can be arranged at VSDL, Ames, Iowa. Such procedures facilitate rapid transportation and laboratory consideration of the specimens for all encephalitis including VEE. To date, no cases of VEE have been diagnosed in equines in the U.S. since late 1971.

REVISED RECOMMENDATION - ANIMAL RABIES VACCINATION

A revision of the 1972 recommendations for animal rabies vaccination has been received and is herein reproduced for guidance to Montana veterinarians. The information contained in the following review becomes the official recommendations of the Animal Health Division, Department of Livestock for compliance with Department rules on rabies vaccination of dogs and cats.

"May 1974

REVISED NATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ANIMAL RABIES VACCINATION

This is the first revision of the Compendium of Animal Rabies Vaccines developed in 1971-1972 by the Rabies Subcommittee, Animal Health Committee, National Research Council-National Academy of Sciences (NRC-NAS)* and initially published in 1972. The revised compendium represents the Center for Disease Control's recommendations on animal rabies vaccinations. At the request of the Compendium

Review Committee,** the revised recommendations have been reviewed by the Rabies Committee of the U.S. Animal Health Association, and the Association of State and Territorial Public Health Veterinarians.

The purpose of the compendium is to provide information on rabies vaccines to practicing veterinarians, public health officials, and others concerned with rabies control. Ultimately this compendium should serve as a basis for standardization of animal rabies vaccination throughout the United States.

Revisions in the compendium include 2 new areas frequently of concern to persons charged with the responsibility for rabies control: the selection of vaccine for use in vaccinating wildlife, and evaluation of hazards following human exposure to animals rabies vaccines.

No vaccine is currently licensed for the vaccination of wildlife in the United States, and data on efficacy and duration of immunity are generally lacking. In the event it is necessary to vaccinate wild animals, only INACTIVATED vaccines should be used (some MLV vaccines may actually induce rabies in wild animals). In the absence of specific data, dosage and duration of immunity should be based on the recommendations for vaccination of dogs.

Accidental inoculation or other forms of exposure may occur to individuals administering animal rabies vaccines. Such exposures to inactivated vaccines constitute no known rabies hazard. Based on years of empirical observations, the LEP-and HEP-type live virus vaccines also appear to constitute no rabies hazard. However, available data on human exposure to ERA vaccine are inadequate. Preliminary results obtained from animal studies suggest that this virus may be no more pathogenic for man than the LEP virus, but further study is needed. In the event of exposure to ERA virus, public health officials should be contacted for specific recommendations.

*(Members of the NRC-NAS Rabies Subcommittee include Peter Kennedy, D.V.M., Chairman, Victor Cabasso, Ph.D., David Davis, Ph.D., R. Keith Sikes, D.V.M., and Charles York, D.V.M.)

** (Members of the Compendium Review Committee include W. G. Winkler, D.V.M., Chairman, Melvin K. Abelseth, D.V.M., R. Keith Sikes, D.V.M., R. C. Stewart, Ph.D., and A. L. Strating, D.V.M.)

See chart on Compendium of Animal Rabies Vaccine in the U.S. on Page 5.

NEW DEPUTY STATE VETERINARIAN APPOINTMENTS

F. H. Houle, D.V.M.	Helena, MT
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Anaconda, MT
Missoula, MT

STATE VETERINARIANS, ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS

In the "For Your Information" section of this Newsletter, a current list of the names of state veterinarians, their complete address and office telephone number is provided. This ready reference should enhance the opportunity for Montana veterinarians to contact state officials on questions of interstate shipments. More importantly, it is a ready source for office use for prompt forwarding of completed health certificate copies to the destination state veterinarians.

COMPENDIUM OF ANIMAL RABIES VACCINE IN THE U.S.

VACCINE	COMPANIES MARKETING	FOR USE IN	REGIMEN RECOMMENDED FOR PRIMARY IMMUNIZATION			REVACCINATION RECOMMENDED
			DOSE(S)	ANIMAL'S AGE	ROUTE	
A) Modified Live Virus Vaccines (MLV) Chick Embryo Origin Low Egg Passage (LEP), Flury (I-L)	FROMM (Rahoid)	Dogs	1 dose of 1 ml.	3-4 mos.* & 1 yr.	IM	3 yrs.
	AMERILAB (Rabies Vaccine)	Dogs	1 dose of 2 ml.	3-4 mos.* & 1 yr.	IM	3 yrs.
Tissue Culture Origin Canine Kidney, High Egg Passage	NORDEN (Endurall-R)	Dogs	1 dose of 1 ml.	3-4 mos.* & 1 yr.	IM	3 yrs.
		Cats	1 dose of 1 ml.	3-4 mos.	IM	1 yr.
		Cattle	2 doses of 1 ml., each 6 wks. apart	as required	IM	1 yr.
Porcine Kidney (ERA)	JEN-SAL (ERA) CONNAUGHT (ERA)	Dogs	1 dose of 2 ml.	3-4 mos.* & 1 yr.	IM	3 yrs.
		Cats	1 dose of 2 ml.	3-4 mos.	IM	2 yrs.
		Cattle	1 dose of 2 ml.	4 mos.	IM	4 yrs.
		Horses	1 dose of 2 ml.	4 mos.	IM	2 yrs.
		Sheep and Goats	1 dose of 2 ml.	4 mos.	IM	1 yr.
B) Inactivated Vaccines Tissue Culture Origin Primary Hamster Kidney (Fixed Virus)	JEN-SAL (Rabies Vaccine)	Dogs	2 doses of 2 ml. ea.	1st dose at 3-4 mos., 2nd dose 3-4 wks. later	IM	1 yr.
	BURNS- BIOTEC (BioRab or Anegen-R)	Cats	2 doses of 1 ml. ea.	Same as for dogs	IM	1 yr.
Tissue Origin Canine, Nervous Tissue (Fixed Virus)	BANDY (Rabies Vaccine)	Dogs	1 dose of 2 ml.	3-4 mos.	IM	1 yr.
		Cats	1 dose of 2 ml.	3-4 mos.	IM	1 yr.
Suckling Mouse Brain (Fixed Virus)	DOUGLAS (SMBV)	Dogs	1 dose of 1 ml.	3-4 mos.	IM	1 yr.
	FT. DOOGIE (Trimune) HAVER- LOCKHART (Murigen)	Cats	1 dose of 1 ml.	3-4 mos.	IM	1 yr.

*In mass vaccination programs the schedule of primary immunization may consist of only 1 inoculation given each year to all dogs between 3 months and 1 year of age.

DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY REPORT

June, 1974

A. BOVINE --- 109 Specimens Submitted
DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

NAME	AMOUNT
Abscess - Liver	1
Acetonemia - Ketosis	1
Bact - Brucella Abortus	1
Bronchopneumonia	1
BVD Virus	9
Diarrhea	3
Diarrhea - Neonatal	2
Emaciation	1
Heart Failure	1
IBR Virus	8
Incomplete	19
Mastitis	1
Mastitis - Coliform	1
Mastitis - Staphylococcus	6
Meningitis	1
Metritis	1
Mineral Imbalance	2
Myositis	1
Nephritis	1
No Diagnosis	10
Normal Animal Tissue	1
Paired Samples Not Submt	16
Parasitism	1
PI3 Virus	3
Pneumonia - Inhalation	1
Septicemia	1
Sero - Leptospirosis	1
Specimen Unsuitable	1
Stillborn	1
Thrombo-Embolic-Meningoenc.	1
Tox - Lead	3
Trichomonas Foetus	1
Trichomoniasis	6
Undetermined	44
Vas Deferaus	1
Vibriosis	2

TOTAL	155

BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - Bacillus Sp.	3
Bact - Brucella Abortus	1
Bact - Cl-Perfringens	1
Bact - Cl-Sp.	3
Bact - Cory. Sp.	2

Bact - E. Coli	18
Bact - Hemophilis Suis	3
Bact - Past-Sp.	1
Bact - Proteus Sp.	4
Bact - Staph. Aureus	8
Bact - Staph. Species	1
Bact - Strep Sp.	10
BVD Virus	1
Enteritis - Clostridium Sp.	1
Hematology	1
Mouse Inoculation Enterotoxemi	3
Myco - Scopulariopsis Sp.	1
Myco - Sp.	1
No Bacterial Growth	6
Para - Strongyles	1
Sero - Brucellosis	1
Specimen Unsuitable	3
Trichomonas Foetus	7
Vibriosis	2

TOTAL 83

SEROLOGY: TOTAL SPECIMENS PROCESSED

NAME	AMOUNT
BVD Virus	24
IBR Virus	19
PI3 Virus	6
Sero - Anaplasmosis	1
Sero - Brucellosis	1
Sero - Ictero	2
Sero - Leptospirosis	3

TOTAL 56

VIROLOGY: TOTAL SPECIMENS PROCESSED

NAME	AMOUNT
BVD Virus	2
IBR Virus	1

TOTAL 3

CHEMISTRY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Analysis - Calcium - Low	4
Analysis - Calcium - Norm	5
Analysis - Carotene - Low	1
Analysis - Carotene - Norm	1
Analysis - Mag. - Norm	4

Analysis - Phos. - High	4
Analysis - Phos. - Low	4
Analysis - Phos. - Norm	1
Analysis - Vit A - Low	2
Analysis - Vit A - Norm	2
Omphalophlebitis - Unknown	1
Tox - Arsenic	2
Tox - Copper	1
Tox - Lead	6
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TOTAL	38

PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Acetonemia - Ketosis	1
Autolytic Change	1
Bacil Hemoglobinuria	1
Blackleg	1
Bronchitis	1
Bronchopneumonia	1
Cyst	1
Degeneration	2
Dehydration	1
Edema	3
Emaciation	1
Enteritis	1
Heart Failure	1
Meningitis - Bacterial	1
Myositis	1
Nephritis	1
Nephrosis	2
No Visible Lesions	1
Pneumonia - Inhalation	1
Rumenitis	2
Septicemia	1
Thrombo-Embolio-Meningoenc.	1
Tox - Lead	1
Undetermined	6
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TOTAL	34

PARASITOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Para - Trichostrongylus Sp.	1
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TOTAL	1

B. EQUINE --- 24 Specimens Submitted

DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

NAME	AMOUNT
Encephalomyelitis - Equine	1
Neo - Fibroma	1
Nephrosis	1
No Diagnosis	1
Parasitism	2
Sero - Brucellosis	1
Sero - Leptospirosis	1
Tox - Lead	2
Undetermined	14
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TOTAL	24

BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - Cory. sp.	1
Bact - E. Coli	2
Bact - Past -Hemolytica	1
Bact - Proteus Sp.	1
Bact - Staph. Aureus	3
Bact - Strep Sp.	2
No Bacterial Growth	3
Para - Strongyles	1
Parasitism	1
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TOTAL	15

SEROLOGY: TOTAL SPECIMENS PROCESSED

NAME	AMOUNT
Sero - Autumnalis	1
Sero - Brucellosis	1
Sero - Canicola	1
Sero - Grippio	1
Sero - Hardjo	1
Sero - Ictero	1
Sero - Pomona	1
Undetermined	1
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TOTAL	8

CHEMISTRY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Analysis - Calcium - Norm	2
Analysis - Carotene - Low	1
Analysis - Carotene - Norm	1
Analvsis - Mag. - Norm	1

Analysis - Phos. - High	2
Analysis - Vit A - High	1
Analysis - Vit A - Norm	1
Tox - Lead	2
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TOTAL	11

PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Neo - Fibroma	1
Nephrosis	1
Undetermined	1
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TOTAL	3

C. PORCINE --- 14 Specimens Submitted

DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

NAME	AMOUNT
Atrophic Rhinitis	5
Colitis-Ulcerative	1
Erysipelas	2
Mulberry Heart Disease	1
No Visible Lesions	1
Rabies	1
Undetermined	3
Virus Pig Pneumonia	4
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TOTAL	18

BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - Erysipelothrix Insidios	2
Bact - Strep Sp.	2
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TOTAL	4

SERIOLOGY: TOTAL SPECIMENS PROCESSED

NAME	AMOUNT
Sero - Brucellosis	1
Sero - Ictero	1
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TOTAL	2

VIROLOGY: TOTAL SPECIMENS PROCESSED

NAME	AMOUNT
Rabies	1
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TOTAL	1

PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Trophic Rhinitis	5
Colitis - Ulcerative	1
Mulberry Heart Disease	1
Nephrosis	1
No Visible Lesions	1
Undetermined	1
Virus Pig Pneumonia	5
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TOTAL	15

D. OTHER: 0

E. OVINE --- 9 Specimens Submitted

DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

NAME	AMOUNT
Pasteurellosis	1
Pneumonia	2
Undetermined	6
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TOTAL	9

BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - Citrobacter Group	1
Bact - C1-Perfringens	1
Bact - C1-Sp.	2
Bact - E. Coli	3
Bact - Past-Hemolytica	1
Bact - Strep Sp.	3
Insufficient Quantity	1
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TOTAL	12

PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Pleuritis	2
Pneumonia	2
Undetermined	2
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TOTAL	6

F. FELINE --- 14 Specimens Submitted

DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

NAME	AMOUNT
Heart Failure	1
Neo - Lymphosarcoma	1
Nephrosis	1
Parasitism	1
Rabies	10
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TOTAL	14

BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Myco - Alternaria Sp.	1
Parasitism	1
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TOTAL	2

VIROLOGY: TOTAL SPECIMENS PROCESSED

NAME	AMOUNT
Rabies	10
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TOTAL	10

PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Heart Failure	1
Inflammation	1
Neo - Lymphosarcoma	1
Nephrosis	1
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TOTAL	4

G. CANINE --- 20 Specimens Submitted

DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

NAME	AMOUNT
Neo - Adenoma-Perianal Gland	1
Neo - Carcinoma-Squamous	1
Neo - Melanoma Malignant	1
Neo - Mixed Mammary Tumor	1
Neo - Seminoma	2

No Diagnosis	1
No Visible Lesions	1
Parasitism	1
Rabies	7
Sero - Leptospirosis	1
Tox - Strychnine	2
Undetermined	1
Uremia	1
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TOTAL	21

BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Parasitism	1
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TOTAL	1

SEROLOGY: TOTAL SPECIMENS PROCESSED

NAME	AMOUNT
Sero - Leptospirosis	1
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TOTAL	1

VIROLOGY:

NAME	AMOUNT
Rabies	7
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TOTAL	7

CHEMISTRY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Tox - Arsenic	1
Tox - Lead	1
Tox - Strychnine	2
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TOTAL	4

PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Neo - Adenoma-Perianal Gland	1
Neo - Carcinoma-Squamous	1
Neo - Melanoma Malignant	1
Neo - Mixed Mammary Tumor	1

Neo - Seminoma	2
Nephritis	1
No Visible Lesions	1
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TOTAL	8

H. AVIAN --- 8 Specimens Submitted

DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

NAME	AMOUNT
Autolytic Change	1
Def-Dis - Malnutrition	1
Encephalitis	1
No Diagnosis	1
Perosis	1
Specimen Unsuitable	1
Undetermined	3
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TOTAL	9

BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - Acid-Fast Organism	1
Bact - Proteus Sp.	1
Bact - Staph. Aureus	1
Bact - Strep Sp.	1
Myco - Aspergillus Sp.	1
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TOTAL	5

PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Anemia	1
Def-Dis - Malnutrition	1
Encephalitis	1
Necrosis	1
Necrosis - Myocardial	1
Perosis	1
Specimen Unsuitable	1
Undetermined	1
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TOTAL	8

I. WILD LIFE --- 152 Specimens Submitted

** LABORATORY ASSIGNMENTS **

DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

NAME	AMOUNT
Parasitism	1
Rabies	149
Specimen Unsuitable	2
Undetermined	2
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TOTAL	154

BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
Parasitism	1
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TOTAL	1

VIROLOGY: TOTAL SPECIMENS PROCESSED

NAME	AMOUNT
Rabies	149
Specimen Unsuitable	3
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TOTAL	152

J. OTHER --- 8 Specimens Submitted

Total Specimens Submitted	8
Total Diagnosis	8
Total Not Diagnosed	0
Total Incomplete	0
Total Specimens Unsuitable	0
Total Undetermined	0
Total Services Not Offered	0

** LABORATORY ASSIGNMENTS **

DIAGNOSIS: CLINICAL CONDITION SUSPECTED

NAME	AMOUNT
Parasitism	1
Tox - Arsenic	1
Tox - Strychnine	1
Water, Good	3
Water, Poor	2
Water, Unuseable	1
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TOTAL	9

CHEMISTRY: RESULTS

NAME	AMOUNT
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TOTAL	9
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TEST	SPECIES	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	SUSPICIOUS	TOTAL
Anaplasma CF.....	Cattle.....	5	873	12	890
Bluetongue.....	Cattle.....	1	787	61	849
Bluetongue.....	Ovine.....		240	7	247
Bluetongue.....	Swine.....		1	5	6
Brucella abortus agglutination.....	Cattle.....		8,877	41	8,918
" " " (plate - field & marker).....	Cattle.....	235	28,201		28,436
" " " (seminal plasma).....	Cattle.....		3		3
" " " (card - field & market).....	Goat.....		12		12
" " " (card).....	Horse.....		2		2
" " " (card).....	Swine.....		49		49
Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins Test).....	Horse.....		356		356
Leptospira canicola agglutination.....	Cattle.....		5		5
Leptospira grippo-typhosa agglutination.....	Cattle.....		5		5
" " hardjo agglutination.....	Cattle.....		15		15
" " ".....	Horse.....		1		1
" " icterohemorrhagiae agglutination.....	Cattle.....	1	12	2	15
" " Jules agglutination.....	".....		5		5
" " borcinana agglutination.....	".....		5		5
" " hebdomadis agglutination.....	".....		5		5
" " pomona agglutination.....	".....		26	3	29
" " ".....	Horse.....		1		1
TOTAL SEROLOGICAL TESTS.....		242	39,481	131	39,854



56 Veterinarians Reporting..... 31 Counties Reporting..... 31 Diseases Reported

CATTLE:

INDEX OF COUNTIES												
1	3	4	7	8	10	11	14	15	16	18	21	22
1												
			1			2	1				1	
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SNEEP:

SWINE:

HORSES:

Distemper.....
Infectious Anemia
Influenza.....

DOGS:

Distemper.....
Infectious hepatitis...
Leptospirosis.....

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56 Veterinarians Reporting..... 31 Counties Reporting 31 Diseases Reported

DISEASES AND SPECIES:

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Montana Veterinarians' Animal Disease Report (continued)

June, 1974

DISEASES AND SPECIES:CATTLE:

Abortion.....
 Actinobacillosis.....
 Anaplasmosis.....
 Arthritis.....
 Blackleg.....
 Cancer eye.....
 Coccidiosis.....
 Diphtheria.....
 Foot-rot.....
 Grass tetany.....
 Infectious keratitis..
 Leptospirosis.....
 Malignant edema.....
 Mastitis.....
 Metritis.....
 Pulmonary emphysema..
 Rhinotracheitis.....
 Shipping fever.....
 Tetanus.....
 Urolithiasis.....
 Vibriosis.....
 Virus diarrhea.....
 Virus warts.....

INDEX OF COUNTIES						TOTAL CASES	TOTAL HERDS
47	50	51	53	56			
					1	1
3		1		33	42	29
			18		42	15
				16	16	10
					4	3
2			6	27	69	41
	1		1		36	8
					6	3
	4			1	21	15
					37	10
					57	18
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				8	80	48
				2	2	1
	1				22	10
					7	3
					21	7
					1	1
			1	1	13	13
					61	2
	1		3		5	4
				16	16	10
					1	1
			2		6	3
					3	2
				3	44	6
				22		
					57	29
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					101	98
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					1011	568
						

SHEEP:

Contagious ecthyma....
 Enterotoxemia.....

SWINE:

Atrophic rhinitis.....
 Erysipelas.....

HORSES:

Distemper.....
 Infectious Anemia.....
 Influenza.....

DOGS:

Distemper.....
 Infectious hepatitis..
 Leptospirosis.....

TOTAL CASES AND HERDS.....

INDEX OF COUNTIES

NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY
1.....	Beaverhead	20.....	Granite	39.....	Powell
2.....	Big Horn	21.....	Hill	40.....	Prairie
3.....	Blaine	22.....	Jefferson	41.....	Ravalli
4.....	Broadwater	23.....	Judith Basin	42.....	Richland
5.....	Carbon	24.....	Lake	43.....	Roosevelt
6.....	Carter	25.....	Lewis & Clark	44.....	Rosebud
7.....	Cascade	26.....	Liberty	45.....	Sanders
8.....	Choteau	27.....	Lincoln	46.....	Sheridan
9.....	Custer	28.....	Madison	47.....	Silver Bow
10.....	Daniels	29.....	McCone	48.....	Stillwater
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REGIONAL SYLVATIC RABIES CONFERENCE

The program for the Regional Sylvatic Rabies Conference at Billings September 17-19, 1974 at the Ramada Inn is now complete. Eight Northern States and three Canadian Provinces of the plains area have responded with plans for program and delegate participation.

Three Montana State agencies, the Department of Fish and Game, the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences and the Department of Livestock have combined efforts in sponsoring this regional effort for a goal of controlling skunk rabies in the most efficient way compatible with minimal environmental effects. Serving as Co-Chairman of this conference in which skunk rabies is the target, are J. Frederick (Fritz) Bell, M.D., Medical Director, Rocky Mountain Laboratory, Hamilton and Glenn C. Halver, D.V.M., State Veterinarian and Administrator, Animal Health Division, Department of Livestock, Helena.

Speakers and panel participants have been programmed from Canada and the United States. They are highly qualified to present information on skunk rabies research needs and improved methods of control in three areas of responsibility - public health, animal health and wildlife.

The Conference program will have five sessions of distinct interest. On the first day following keynote addresses, the eleven states and provinces will report on "Our Experience With The Skunk Rabies Program." A panel will then evaluate "Administrative Influences and Considerations As Related to Control Measures" from the standpoint of environment, public health, wildlife and livestock. On Wednesday, September 18, the program will include one panel "Methods Available For Population Reduction and Their Limitations" to be followed in the afternoon by another panel "Cooperative Research In Skunk Rabies." Speakers will then discuss "Interagency Cooperation in Research and Control Within Regions" placing emphasis on potential capabilities of states and provinces to enter into regional compacts for those purposes.

A resolutions committee with three representatives from each of Alberta, Colorado, Iowa, Manitoba, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Saskatchewan, South Dakota and Wyoming will consider numerous recommendations for regional administration and conduct of desired methods for skunk rabies research and control.

This conference promises to be very worthwhile for all Montana veterinarians and it is hoped they will find it possible to attend.

Meetings Scheduled To Explain DES Free Requirements Of Canada On Food Animals

The Montana Cooperative Extension Service and the USDA Veterinary Services have jointly announced meetings in Montana to provide detailed information on shipment of livestock and meat into Canada to comply with the ban on DES (diethylstilbestrol growth stimulant). Meetings will be held 1:30 P.M. in Butte September 5th, Billings September 6th, Sidney and Great Falls September 10th and Kalispell September 11, 1974.

These five meetings are intended to provide feeders and producers of cattle and sheep detailed information on the requirements to be met for export of live feeder and slaughter animals into Canada as well as meat carcasses, beginning September 15, 1974. Because

that trade will involve veterinarians, market officials and livestock dealers, they too are invited and encouraged to attend one of the five meetings.

To properly advise the Montana veterinarian of the details of this procedure, to the best of our understanding, the following guidelines are set forth:

1. The bonafide producer and/or feeder must have attended one of the five "Export Seminars" at which time he will receive signed certificates by a USDA official.
2. He will then have a second certificate "Owner Certification of Animals" that will be completed by him certifying the cattle have been owned for 120 days and have not been fed or implanted with DES and that they have been individually identified with backtag or eartag (the latter we believe to be preferred for various reasons). All of this must be certified to by the attending veterinarian through his signature on the form. (Feeder cattle will be required to have the same tuberculin and serological tests as breeding cattle entering Canada all of which must be entered on the regular federal health certificates 17-140.)
3. Slaughter cattle and sheep can enter Canada with the "Owner Certificate of Animals" and the 17-140 health certificate with the endorsement of the U.S. Port of Entry USDA veterinarian. Feeder cattle and sheep with the owner certificate and the completed 17-140 must be endorsed at the Helena office.
4. Animals slaughtered at U.S. packing plants must be accompanied to slaughter with the same completed owner certificate and identification if the carcasses are to be eligible to enter Canada as meat.

New Appointment To Diagnostic Laboratory Staff

Dr. James Inhelder has accepted a position on the staff of the Diagnostic Laboratory, Bozeman effective September 2, 1974. His presence with Dr. Beck Hubbell, Chief and Dr. Wm. Quinn will enhance the proficiency of the laboratory in accommodating the increased number of specimens received for diagnostic service.

Dr. Inhelder received a B.S. from Northern Arizona University and his D.V.M. from Colorado State University in 1966. Following two years of practice he entered the University of Nebraska Graduate school as a Veterinary Research associate, receiving his M. S. in 1971. Since that time he has been a resident in Pathology at Cornell University as a candidate for the Ph. D. degree.

During his residency at Cornell, Dr. Inhelder was responsible for more than 2,000 cases which included necropsy and collating final diagnostic and clinical reports. His broad training and the advanced study in pathology will make Dr. Inhelder a valuable addition to the Diagnostic Laboratory Bureau.

Dierks Appointed Department Head, Veterinary Research Laboratory

An announcement was recently made by staff members of Montana State University that Dr. Richard Dierks had been named Department Head of the Veterinary Research Laboratory and Veterinary Science Department at Bozeman.

In commenting with favor on acquiring Dr. Dierks services, J. A. Asleson, Director of Montana Agricultural Experiment Station and J. E. Catlin Acting Head, VRL said:

"Dr. Dierks brings an outstanding record of accomplishments to the laboratory. He received a B. S. and D.V.M. from the University of Minnesota and later received an M.P.H. and a Ph.D. degree from the same institution. He is the recipient of numerous honors and awards in Veterinary Research. Dr. Dierks is diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Microbiologists and a Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Public Health. He is a member of many professional and scientific societies and has studied and conducted research both in this country and abroad. His research background is in the area of Veterinary Virology and Bacteriology and work in this area has included study of respiratory diseases of cattle and rabies in animals. He has been involved in teaching and graduate education. In addition he has authored or co-authored more than 30 scientific and professional articles and presented many scientific and professional papers both in the United States and foreign countries."

This Department is most pleased with the selection of Dr. Richard Dierks to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. W. W. Hawkins. Dr. Dierks will arrive September 15, 1974, from the Veterinary Medical Research Institute, College of Veterinary Medicine, Iowa State University. His vast knowledge and background will add great support to veterinary research in this state and will be of benefit to the further advancement of our Diagnostic Laboratory services, both of which are located in the Hadleigh Marsh Laboratory at Bozeman.

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AUTOPSIES PERFORMED REPORT

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<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Bat.....	7
Cat.....	3
Cattle.....	6
Chicken.....	18
Coyote.....	1
Dog.....	3
Fetus:	
Bovine.....	3
Fox.....	1
Goat.....	2
Guinea pig.....	2
Mice.....	1
Skunk.....	51
Swine.....	6
TOTAL AUTOPSIES PERFORMED.....	101

Bacteriological and Chemical Tests on Milk and Milk Products

TYPE OF TEST	IN COMPLIANCE	NOT IN COMPLIANCE
<u>ACTERIOLOGICAL TESTS:</u>		
<u>Butter:</u>		
Coliform Counts.....	4	1
Yeast and Mold Counts.....	5	-0-
<u>Buttermilk:</u>		
Coliform Counts.....	9	-0-
<u>Cheese:</u>		
Coliform Counts.....	-0-	-0-
Yeast and Mold Counts.....	-0-	-0-
<u>Cottage Cheese:</u>		
Coliform Counts.....	8	2
<u>Cream:</u>		
Antibiotic Detection Tests.....	23	-0-
Bacterial Counts.....	21	2
Coliform Counts.....	20	3
<u>Ice Cream and Ice Milk:</u>		
Antibiotic Detection Tests.....	14	-0-
Bacterial Counts.....	12	2
Coliform Counts.....	8	6
<u>Ice Cream, Shake, and Milk Mix:</u>		
Antibiotic Detection Tests.....	8	-0-
Bacterial Counts.....	6	-0-
Coliform Counts.....	5	3
<u>Milk: Raw for Pasteurization (Grade A)</u>		
Antibiotic Detection Tests.....	186	-0-
Bacterial Counts.....	169	16
<u>Brucella Abortus</u> Ring Tests.....	186	-0-
Coliform Counts (No compliance standards; reported as IN COMPLIANCE).....	191	-0-
Direct Microscopic Somatic Cell Counts.....	2	-0-
<u>Milk: Raw for Manufacturing (Grade B)</u>		
Antibiotic Detection Tests.....	-0-	-0-
Bacterial Counts.....	-0-	-0-
<u>Brucella abortus</u> Ring Tests.....	-0-	-0-

Bacteriological and Chemical Tests on Milk and Milk Products

TYPE OF TEST	IN COMPLIANCE	NOT IN COMPLIANCE
<u>Bacteriological Tests (continued):</u>		
<u>Milk: Retail Raw and Pasteurized Products</u>		
Antibiotic Detection Tests.....	57	-0-
Bacterial Counts.....	52	5
<u>Brucella abortus</u> Ring Tests.....	3	-0-
Coliform Counts.....	50	7
<u>Pasteurized Milk Containers:</u>		
Bacterial Counts.....	-0-	-0-
Coliform Counts.....	-0-	-0-
<u>Sherbet:</u>		
Antibiotic Detection Tests.....	2	-0-
Bacterial Counts.....	2	-0-
Coliform Counts.....	2	-0-
<u>Sour Cream:</u>		
Coliform Counts.....	8	1
<u>Yoghurt:</u>		
Coliform Counts.....	6	-0-
<u>Other: (Specify)</u>		
<u>Sour $\frac{1}{2}$ & $\frac{1}{2}$ Coliform Counts</u>	1	-0-
.....	-0-	-0-
.....	-0-	-0-
.....	-0-	-0-
TOTAL BACTERIOLOGICAL TESTS.....	1,060	50
<u>CHEMICAL TESTS:</u>		
Butter.....	5	-0-
Buttermilk.....	2	7
Cheese.....	-0-	-0-
Cottage Cheese.....	6	4
Cream.....	20	-0-
Ice Cream and Ice Milk.....	15	1
Ice Cream, Shake and Milk Mix.....	4	4

Bacteriological and Chemical Tests on Milk and Milk Products

TYPE OF TEST	IN COMPLIANCE	NOT IN COMPLIANCE
<u>Chemical Tests (continued):</u>		
Milk:		
General Chemical.....	46	10
*Wisconsin Mastitis Tests..Raw for Pasteurization (Grade A).....	187	2
**Wisconsin Mastitis Tests..Raw for Manufacturing (Grade B).....	-0-	-0-
Sherbet.....	2	-0-
Sour Cream.....	7	2
Yoghurt.....	6	-0-
Other: (Specify)		
<u>Sour $\frac{1}{2}$ & $\frac{1}{2}$</u>	1	-0-
.....	-0-	-0-
.....	-0-	-0-
.....	-0-	-0-
TOTAL CHEMICAL TESTS.....	301	30
TOTAL BACTERIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL TESTS		

* Values in mm.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Samples Tested	0	0	2	7	5	12	13	20	19	17	14	23	10	7	15	10	3	4

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BLOOD ANALYSES

CALCIUM			CAROTENE			MAGNESIUM			PHOSPHOROUS			VITAMIN A		
High	Norm	Low	High	Norm	Low	High	Norm	Low	High	Norm	Low	High	Norm	Low
	8	6		4	1	2	7		2	5	6		3	2
	1			1			1			1			1	
	9	6		5	1	2	8		2	6	6		4	2

Bovine:

ARSENIC		CYANIDE		LEAD		STRYCHNINE	
Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.	Pos.	Neg.
	1			1	2		
					3		
					3		
	1				1		
				1			
						3	3
					1		
							1
					1		
	1				1		
						1	
	3			2	12	4	4

WATER ANALYSES (Minerals for Livestock Consumption)

Nitrate Samples.....
TDS Samples.....
Totals.....

FIT	QUESTIONABLE	UNFIT
5	1	
1		4
6	1	4

DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY REPORT

July, 1974

A. BOVINE --- 70 Specimens Submitted

I. DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Abomasul Ulcer	1
Autolytic Change	1
BVD Virus	3
Coccidiosis	1
Congestion Pulmonary	1
Diarrhea - Neonatal	1
Edema	1
IBR Virus	2
Incomplete	14
Malignant Catarrhal Fever	1
Mastitis - Staphylococcus	3
Mouse Inoculation Enterotoxemi	1
NEO - Fibroma	1
Neo - Fibrosarcoma	1
No Diagnosis	4
Paired Samples Not Submit	14
Parasitism	2
Pasteurellosis	1
Polioencephalomalacia	1
Sero - Anaplasmosis	1
Sero - Brucellosis	2
Sero - Leptospirosis	2
Specimen Unsuitable	1
Tox - Dicoumarin	1
Tox - Lead	1
Toxemia	1
Trichomoniasis	2
Undetermined	26
Water, Unusable	1
TOTAL	92

II. BACTERIOLOGY:

TEST DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - Aerobacter Sp.	1
Bact - Cl-Perfringen	1
Bact - Ci-Sp.	1
Bact - Cory. Renale	1
Bact - E. Coli	9
Bact - Past-Multocida	1
Bact - Proteus Sp.	7
Bact - Salmonella Sp.	1
Bact - Staph. Aureus	5
Bact - Strep Sp.	7

Hematology
 Mouse Inoculation Enterotoxemi
 Myco - Sp.
 No Bacterial Growth
 Trichomonas Foetus

TOTAL

1
 5
 1
 1
 2

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III. VIROLOGY:

TEST/DIAG NAME

AMOUNT

Rabies - Negative

TOTAL

1

 1

IV. PATHOLOGY:

TEST/DIAG NAME

AMOUNT

Abomasul Ulcer
 Autolytic Change
 BVD Virus
 Congestion, Pulmonary
 Edema
 Encephalitis
 Malignant Catarrhal Fever
 Meningitis
 NEO - Fibroma
 NEO - Fibrosarcoma
 No Visible Lesions
 Pasteurellosis
 Polioencephalomalacia
 Specimen Unsuitable
 Tox - Dicoumarin
 Toxemia
 Undetermined

TOTAL

1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 4

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V. PARASITOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME

AMOUNT

Anaplasmosis
 Para - Eimeria Bovis
 Para - Strongyles

TOTAL

1
 3
 1

 5

VI. SEROLOGY:

TEST/DIAG NAME

POS NEG

BVD Virus
 IBR Virus
 PI3 Virus

8 1
 7 3
 2 0

Sero - Anaplasmosis	0	4
Sero - Autumnalis	1	0
Sero - Bluetongue	0	1
Sero - Brucellosis	2	4
Sero - Canicola	1	0
Sero - Hardjo	1	2
Sero - Ictero	6	0
Sero - Leptospirosis	3	1
Sero - Pomona	1	2
TOTAL	32	18

VII. CHEMISTRY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	POS	NEG
Analysis - Calcium - Low	3	0
Analysis - Calcium - Norm	1	0
Analysis - Carotene - Norm	1	0
Analysis - Mag. - Norm	3	0
Analysis - Phos. - Low	3	0
Analysis - Vit A - Norm	1	0
Tox - Arsenic	1	1
Tox - Lead	1	4
Tox - Nitrate	0	2
Water, Unusable	1	0
TOTAL	15	7

B. EQUINE --- Specimens Submitted

I. DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Adenovirus	1
Cirrhosis	1
Incomplete	1
NEO - Fibrosarcoma	1
NEO - Granuloma	1
NEO - Melanoma	1
Nephrosis	1
Paired Samples Not Submit	2
Para - Other	1
Parasitism	3
Sero - Leptospirosis	2
Tox - Lead	1
Undetermined	4
TOTAL	20

II. BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - Bacillus Sp.	1

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Bact - Staph. Aureus
 Bact - Strep Sp.
 Undetermined

TOTAL

1
 1
 1
 4

III. PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME
 Adenovirus
 NEO - Fibrosarcoma
 NEO - Granuloma
 NEO - Melanoma

AMOUNT

TOTAL

1
 1
 1
 1
 4

IV. PARASITOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME
 Para - Strongyles
 Para - Other
 Parasitism

AMOUNT

TOTAL

2
 1
 1
 4

V. SEROLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME
 Sero - Canicola
 Sero - Ictero
 Sero - Leptospirosis

POS

NEG

TOTAL

1
 2
 0
 3

0
 0
 1
 1

VI. CHEMISTRY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME
 Analysis - Mag - Norm
 Analysis - Calcium - Norm
 Analysis - Carotene - Norm
 Analysis - Phos. - Norm
 Analysis - Vit A - Norm
 Tox - Lead
 Undetermined

POS

NEG

TOTAL

1
 1
 1
 1
 1
 0
 0

0
 0
 0
 0
 0
 1
 1

C. PORCINE --- 10 Specimens Submitted

I. DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

TEST/DIAG NAME
 Atrophic Rhinitis
 Diarrhea - Neonatal

AMOUNT

2
 1

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Incomplete	1
Meningitis	1
Mulberry Heart Disease	1
Pasteurellosis	1
Pneumonia	1
Sero - Leptospirosis	1
Undetermined	2
Virus Pig Pneumonia	1
TOTAL	<u>12</u>

II. BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - Bacillus Cereus	1
Bact - E. Coli	4
Bact - Erysipelothrix Insidios	1
Bact - Salmonella Sp.	2
Bact - Strep Sp.	1
No Bacterial Growth	2
TOTAL	<u>11</u>

III. PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Atrophic Rhinitis	2
Meningitis	1
Mulberry Heart Disease	1
Pasteurellosis	1
Pneumonia	1
Virus Pig Pneumonia	2
TOTAL	<u>8</u>

IV. PARASITOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Ascariasis	1
TOTAL	<u>1</u>

V. SEROLOGY:

TEST/DIAG NAME	POS	NEG
sero - Ictero	1	0
TOTAL	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>

D. OVINE --- 2 Specimens Submitted

I. DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
No Diagnosis	1
Undetermined	1
TOTAL	<u>2</u>

II. BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - Cl-Sp.	1
Bact - Staph. Aureus	1
Bact - Strep Pyocenes	1
TOTAL	<u>3</u>

III. SEROLOGY:

TEST/DIAG NAME	POS	NEG
Sero - Brucellosis	0	1
TOTAL	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>

E. FELINE --- 8 Specimens Submitted

I. DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Haemobartonella Sp.	2
Hernia - Diaphragmatic	1
NEO - Basal-Cell Carcinoma	1
NEO - Lymphosarcoma	2
Rabies	2
TOTAL	<u>8</u>

II. VIROLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Rabies: Negative	2
TOTAL	<u>2</u>

III. PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Hernia - Diaphragmatic	1
NEO - Basal-Cell Carcinoma	1
NEO - Lymphosarcoma	2
TOTAL	<u>4</u>

IV. PARASITOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
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Haemobartonella Sp.

TOTAL

POS

2

2

F. CANINE --- 25 Specimens Submitted

I. Diagnosis: Laboratory

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Dermatitis - Bact.	1
Inflammation	1
NEO - Adamantinoma	1
NEO - Carcinoma - Squamous	1
NEO - Fibroma	1
NEO - Histiocytoma	1
NEO - Mastocytoma	1
NEO - Sarcoma - Undifferentiated	1
No Diagnosis	2
Otitis	1
Para - Ancylostoma Sp.	1
Para - Dirofilaria Immitis	2
Rabies	4
Sero - Leptospirosis	1
Specimen Unsuitable	1
Tox - Strychnine	5
Undetermined	1
TOTAL	26

II. BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - E. Coli	1
Bact - Proteus Sp.	1
Bact - Staph. Aureus	2
No Bacterial Growth	1
TOTAL	5

III. VIROLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Rabies: Negative	4
TOTAL	4

IV. PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Dermatitis - Bact.	1
Inflammation	1
NEO - Adamantinoma	1
NEO - Carcinoma - Squamous	1
NEO - Histiocytoma	1
NEO - Fibroma	1

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NEO - Mastocytoma
 NEO - Sarcoma-Undifferentiated

TOTAL

1
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8

V. PARASITOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME

AMOUNT

Para - Ancylostoma Sp.
 Para - Dirofilaria Immitis

TOTAL

1
<hr/> 2
3

VI. SEROLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME

POS

Sero - Leptospirosis

TOTAL

1
<hr/> 1

VII. CHEMISTRY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME

NEG

POS

Tox - Strychnine

TOTAL

2	3
<hr/> 2	<hr/> 3

G. AVIAN --- 13 Specimens Submitted

** LABORATORY ASSIGNMENTS **

I. DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

TEST/DIAG NAME

AMOUNT

Aspergillosis
 Bact - C-Pyogenes
 Def-Dis - Nonspecific
 Def-Dis - Perosis
 Gastric Ulcer
 Peritonitis
 Perosis
 Septicemia
 Undetermined

TOTAL

1
1
1
1
1
1
1
1
5
<hr/> 13

II. BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME

AMOUNT

Bact - Cory. Sp.
 Bact - E. Coli
 Bact - Proteus Sp.
 Bact - Staph. Aureus
 Bact - Strep Pyogenes

1
3
2
1
1

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Bact - Strep Sp.
No Bacterial Growth

	2
	3
TOTAL	<u>13</u>

III. PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Arthritis - Unknown	1
Aspergillosis	1
Def - Dis - Nonspecific	1
Def - Dis - Perosis	1
Histomonas Sp.	1
Necrosis	2
No Visible Lesions	1
Peritonitis	1
Perosis	1
Septicemia	1
Undetermined	2
TOTAL	<u>13</u>

H. WILDLIFE-102 Specimens Submitted

I. DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Rabies	101
TOTAL	<u>101</u>

II. VIROLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	POS	NEG
Rabies	2	99
TOTAL	<u>2</u>	<u>99</u>

III. PARASITOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Mites	1
TOTAL	<u>1</u>

I. OTHER --- 16 Specimens Submitted

I. DIAGNOSIS: LABORATORY

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Coccidiosis	1
Diarrhea	1
Hydrocephalus	1

Mastitis - Staphylococcus	1
No Diagnosis	1
Para - Other	1
Parasitism	2
Specimen Unsuitable	1
Undetermined	3
Water, Fair	1
Water, Good	1
Water, Unusable	3
TOTAL	<hr/> 3

II. BACTERIOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Bact - E. Coli	3
Bact - Staph Aureus	1
Bact - Strep Sp.	1
No Bacterial Growth	1
TOTAL	<hr/> 6

III. PATHOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Coccidiosis	1
Hydrocephalus	1
Undetermined	1
TOTAL	<hr/> 3

IV. PARASITOLOGY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	AMOUNT
Para - Eimeria Bovis	1
Para - Nematodirus Sp.	1
Para - Other	1
Para - Strongyles	1
Parasitism	1
Para - Coccidia	1
TOTAL	<hr/> 6

V. CHEMISTRY: RESULTS

TEST/DIAG NAME	POS	NEG
Specimen Unsuitable	0	1
Tox - Lead	0	1
Water Analysis: Nitrate	0	1
Water, Fair	1	0
Water, Unusable	3	0
TOTAL	<hr/> 4	<hr/> 3

SEROLOGY REPORT

TEST	SPECIES	POSTIVE	NEGATIVE	SUSPICIOUS	TOTAL
Anaplasma CF Test.....	Cattle.....		530	49	579
Bluetongue.....	Cattle.....		330	43	373
" " ".....	Goat.....		2		2
" " ".....	Sheep.....		17	3	20
Brucella abortus agglutination.....	Cattle.....		11,592	17	11,609
..(card - field & market).....	Horse.....		3		3
	Swine.....		2		2
	Swine.....		59		59
	Goat.....		5		5
Brucellosis Ring Test.....	Cream.....		310	4	314
Brucellosis Seminal Plasma.....	Cattle.....		1		1
Leptospira borincana agglutination.....	Cattle.....		4		4
" canicola "	Cattle.....		4		4
" grippo-typhosa "	Cattle.....		4		4
" hardjo "	Cattle.....		8		8
" hebdomadis "	Cattle.....		4	2	10
" icterohemorrhagica "	Cattle.....		4		4
" jules "	Cattle.....		3	1	4
" pomona "	Cattle.....		4		4
	Cattle.....		9	2	11
TOTAL SEROLOGY TESTS.....		-0-	12,891	119	13,005



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DISEASES AND SPECIES:

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DISEASES AND SPECIES:CATTLE:

Abscess.....
 Actinobacillosis
 Anaplasmosis
 Arthritis
 Bacillary hemoglobinura
 Blackleg
 Cancer eye
 Coccidiosis
 Emphysema
 Foot-rot
 Helminthiasis
 Infectious keratitis.
 Leptospirosis
 Listeriosis
 Mastitis
 Pneumonia
 Pulmonary emphysema .
 Rhinotracheitis
 Shipping fever
 Ulcerative Stomatitis
 Urolithiasis
 Virus diarrhea
 Virus warts

	TOTAL CASES	TOTAL HERDS
	2	1
	53	34
	20	11
	9	6
	4	4
	7	4
	86	54
	65	6
	1	1
	3	3
	10	2
	16	5
	3	3
	6	2
	10	6
	4	2
	6	5
	355	8
	10	4
	1	1
	16	5
	10	4
	11	4

SHEEP:

Foot-rot

	15	10
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SWINE:

Atrophic rhinitis ...
 Erysipelas

	3	3
	6	2

HORSES:

Bursitis
 Distemper
 Encephalomyelitis ...
 Infectious anemia ...
 Influenza
 Purpura Hemorrhagica.
 Russian Knap Weed ...

	1	1
	86	43
	5	5
	3	1
	58	38
	1	1
	1	1

DOGS:

Distemper
 Infectious hepatitis.
 Leptospirosis

	83	78
	6	6
	6	4

POULTRY:

Tuberculosis

	20	1
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TOTAL CASES AND HERDS

	1002	369
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MONTANA VETERINARIANS'

ANIMAL MORBIDITY REPORT

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I N D E X O F C O U N T I E S

NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY
1.....	Beaverhead	20.....	Granite	39.....	Powell
2.....	Big Horn	21.....	Hill	40.....	Prairie
3.....	Blaine	22.....	Jefferson	41.....	Ravalli
4.....	Broadwater	23.....	Judith Basin	42.....	Richland
5.....	Carbon	24.....	Lake	43.....	Roosevelt
6.....	Carter	25.....	Lewis & Clark	44.....	Rosebud
7.....	Cascade	26.....	Liberty	45.....	Sanders
8.....	Chouteau	27.....	Lincoln	46.....	Sheridan
9.....	Custer	28.....	Madison	47.....	Silver Bow
10.....	Daniels	29.....	McCone	48.....	Stillwater
11.....	Dawson	30.....	Meagher	49.....	Sweet Grass
12.....	Deer Lodge	31.....	Mineral	50.....	Teton
13.....	Fallon	32.....	Missoula	51.....	Toole
14.....	Fergus	33.....	Musselshell	52.....	Treasure
15.....	Flathead	34.....	Park	53.....	Valley
16.....	Gallatin	35.....	Petroleum	54.....	Wheatland
17.....	Garfield	36.....	Phillips	55.....	Wibaux
18.....	Glacier	37.....	Pondera	56.....	Yellowstone
19.....	Golden Valley	38.....	Powder River		

EXCERPTS AND SUMMARIES OF CHANGES IN PROGRAMS OR REGULATIONS AFFECTING
MOVEMENT OF LIVESTOCK

Oregon Requires Permits On All Livestock

Montana veterinarians have been criticized for issuing health certificates on livestock destined for Oregon without first having a permit from that state. We have been advised by Dr. Glenn B. Rae, Administrator, Veterinary Division, Oregon Department of Agriculture, Salem that they have twenty-four hour telephone permit service. Please call 503-378-4710 for a permit for any livestock on which you plan to write a health certificate for an Oregon destination.

States and Canada Requiring EIA (Coggins) Test For Entry

Alaska	Tested if through Canada within 6 months prior to entry.
Canada	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
Delaware	Tested if to sales.
Florida	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
Georgia	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
Illinois	Tested within 12 months prior to entry.
Kentucky	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
Louisiana	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
Maine	Tested if to track.
Maryland	Tested if to track.
Massachusetts	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
Mississippi	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
New Jersey	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
New York	Tested within 12 months prior to entry.
North Carolina	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
Ohio	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
South Carolina	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
Vermont	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
Washington	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.
West Virginia	Tested within 6 months prior to entry.

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FERLICKA TRAINED IN FOREIGN ANIMAL DISEASES

Dr. D. P. Ferlicka, District Deputy State Veterinarian of Helena has completed the USDA training course for the detection and diagnosis of foreign animal diseases. The course included two weeks of intensive lecture reviews of exotic diseases at National Animal Disease Center in April and six days in September at Plum Island, New York dealing with the clinical observation of animals actually affected with important exotic diseases.

In summarizing the familiarization he received with foreign animal diseases and the laboratory procedures used in their definitive diagnosis, Dr. Ferlicka said "...the virulence of most strains of exotic disease agents is a stark reminder of the devastation they are capable of inflicting on our domestic animals. For almost every exotic disease there is an analogue endemic to the U.S. capable of masking an introduced exotic agent for a dangerously long time. Internationally the concept of dangerous animal diseases is heavily influenced by national traditions and social orientation."

The Montana Department of Livestock appreciates the opportunity afforded Dr. Ferlicka by the staff members of USDA Veterinary Services in selecting him as a candidate for this course.

In Montana, the mechanisms are available to diagnose and surround a dangerous disease. The foreign animal disease training afforded previously to resident USDA veterinarians and now a state veterinarian provides us with the updated acuity in field differential diagnosis with supportive provisions for laboratory diagnosis. The key to rapid implementation of these mechanisms continues to be an enlightened livestock producer and an alert veterinary profession. We intend that Dr. Ferlicka's knowledge will in turn be carried to producers and veterinarians of Montana to better support this doctrine.

"WEAK CALF SYNDROME" SYMPOSIUM - SALMON, IDAHO

The Weak Calf Syndrome (WCS) of Western Montana and Northern Idaho was the subject of discussion at a symposium sponsored by the University of Idaho. The meetings were held in Salmon on September 24-25, 1974. Research topics were discussed by numerous investigators of the WCS on September 24 and the morning of the 25th. The theme of the second session was a review of the WCS research efforts, new information obtained to date and plans for additional research in the next calving season.

The broad roster of participants is indicative of the interest in the problem. Representatives of veterinary research, practice, extension, disease control and

diagnostic laboratories from California, Idaho, Montana, Washington, Wyoming and the National Animal Disease Center (NADC) Ames, Iowa met for a review of the WCS. Montana's contributions to this symposium were: Confirmed P13 virus isolations from calves in WCS herds; new approaches in the treatment of weak calves, and the epidemiologic data for the 1974 calving season obtained from the continued surveillance of the randomly selected herds in Beaverhead and Ravalli counties. The Montana epidemiologic data are being assembled for the "WCS Surveillance Report Number Two" which will be available for distribution within the next few weeks.

REPORT ON REGIONAL SYLVATIC RABIES CONFERENCE

The Regional Sylvatic Rabies Conference at Billings September 17-19, 1974, was attended by about 85 people from nine states and three Canadian provinces. Federal government representatives attended from Canadian Agriculture Health of Animals Division, USDA Veterinary Services, Department of Interior Fish and Wildlife Service, H.E.W. Center for Disease Control and E.P.A. Representatives from states and provinces included agencies of Fish and Game, Health and Livestock. There were no participants defending wildlife at this conference which was announced and conducted as open to the public.

Seven resolutions were adopted in open session of the rabies conference:

1. An eleven state-province regional meeting of laboratory diagnosticians be held within twelve months to improve laboratory methods and reporting of rabies diagnosis.
2. To pursue regional exchange of information on rabies control and research through a monthly or quarterly bulletin.
3. To establish within each state and province a rabies advisory committee of representatives of animal health, public health and wildlife to more effectively coordinate the variety of activities necessary for the protection of man and animals from rabies.
4. To request that the Environmental Protection Agency be encouraged to relax the conditions under which toxicants can be used for skunk population reduction in order that effective control measures to prevent the spread of skunk rabies can be implemented.
5. To urge conference participants to support passage of legislation at provincial, state and local levels forbidding and penalizing the importation and sale of skunks as pets.
6. To establish an interstate Bi-National Sylvatic Rabies Commission for the purpose of formulation and implementation of a viable regional cooperative approach to the solutions of sylvatic rabies problems and to reconvene within twelve months.
7. To adopt a standardized surveillance program within the participating states and provinces to acquire information on the epidemiology of human rabies exposure and treatment response.

James H. Steele, D.V.M., School of Public Health, University of Texas, in a conference summation called for:

1. Regional research studies on striped skunk populations.
2. Research on virus identification in sylvatic animal species for variances.
3. Long-range funding of wildlife rabies research to avoid the interruption of such studies as has historically occurred.
4. Attainment of bi-national cooperative consideration and action on the common problem of skunk rabies as has been achieved by coalitions between Mexico and the U.S. on the International border of Southwest U.S. for control of canine rabies.
5. Establish a viable regional commission to maintain research and control efforts of sylvatic rabies on a long-range program that can be adequately supported.
6. Look to established research centers for implementing and sustaining wildlife rabies research. He strongly recommended that Rocky Mountain Laboratory at Hamilton, Montana be encouraged to participate in rabies research as a zoonotic disease, the kind of research which that laboratory has fostered since its founding for study of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever.
7. Provide the public with informative rabies material and cooperate with school administrators by furnishing class-room educational material for children as has been done in South Dakota to create awareness to rabies and minimize the risk of the public to wildlife rabies exposure.

To sustain interest in the goals of the conference and to pursue the formation of a Bi-National Sylvatic Rabies Commission, Dr. James Glosser of Montana was named as Interim Chairman and Dr. Myron F. Andrews of North Dakota will serve as Interim Secretary until the next regional meeting.

VETERINARIANS DISEASE REPORT - CHANGE OF COUNTY INDEX

To coordinate the use of county numbers as an index of disease surveillance in Montana counties, the county license plate number will be used in reporting the information on the Montana Veterinarians Animal Disease Report. This coincides with the recent change made for county identification key on submissions to the Diagnostic Laboratory. Silver Bow County now becomes Number 1 instead of Number 47 on the alphabetical list.

Response by Montana veterinarians completing the disease cards mailed to them by this Department is less than fifty percent. We recognize that to some veterinarians the entering of those reportable animal diseases seen in their practice may be for no good purpose and therefore, a waste of time.

If this viewpoint exists, we defend the right to seek this information from our

Montana veterinarians for several reasons. From no other source is it possible to achieve estimates for accounting of animal diseases and the population involved. Such figures, when made to be a measurement of disease of the whole population, become viable indices for computing total losses and costs to producers and for appraising need of research or programs for control. Summaries of laboratory reports help in this area, but are short in the numbers of affected population.

Veterinarians hold the key to livestock industry needs for the best assessment of their disease losses. When numbers of that industry inquire for need of animal research, trends of disease incidence and a veterinary approach to justifiable remedy, they should have the benefit of something better than the contribution of only half of Montana's veterinarians.

Please! Will the veterinarians receiving Animal Disease Report cards respond with more complete information. In turn we at administrative level will endeavor to update the card by abandoning archaic terminology and thereby solicit your reports of specific disease observations.

AUTOPSIES PERFORMED REPORT

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Bat.....	14
Cat.....	2
Cattle.....	3
Chicken.....	5
Fetus:	
Bovine.....	3
Equine.....	1
Fox.....	2
Gopher.....	1
Mouse.....	1
Raccoon.....	3
Sheep.....	1
Skunk.....	6
Squirrel.....	1
Swine.....	7
TOTAL AUTOPSIES PERFORMED.....	50



SUMMARY OF THE LABORATORY REPORT FOR AUGUST, 1974

The Diagnostic Laboratory processed 266 accessions during the month of August, 1974. The breakdown by species, showing the number of accessions, the number diagnosed, and the percentage of diagnosis is as follows:

<u>Species</u>	<u>No. Acc.</u>	<u>Diagnosis</u>	<u>Percentage Diag.</u>
Bovine	108	50	46%
Equine	26	18	69%
Porcine	13	9	60%
Ovine	5	2	40%
Feline	18	16	88%
Canine	24	18	85%
Avian	9	4	44%
Wildlife	42	40	95%
Other	21	17	80%

Many bovine accessions are reported out as undetermined or incomplete because of the lack of paired serum samples. The laboratory does not make a diagnosis of BVD, IBR, PI₃ or leptospirosis unless paired serum samples are submitted within a 3-week interval.

The bulk of the canine and feline specimens involve poisoning, rabies suspects, and neoplasms. Almost all the wildlife specimens were submitted for rabies diagnosis.

In the bovine category, there was nothing unique in the disease problems for August. Most frequent bacterial isolations involved Staph. aureus and E. coli. Measurable IBR and BVD titers are still common in Montana cattle serums. Seventeen serum samples were found to contain positive L. icterhemorrhagica titers.

Two equine specimens were processed at NADL for rhinopneumonitis and both were found to be negative. L. ictero was also found to be causing high titers in two equine, one showing rather severe clinical signs.

Porcine and ovine submissions were minimal, and nothing remarkable was noted in either species from a disease standpoint.

Nine of the 18 submissions for feline involved rabies suspects. Several submissions involved panleucopenia. As was noted, most canine submissions involved neoplasms, rabies suspects, and poisonings. A Sarcoptes scabiei v. canis was confirmed from a dog in the Billings area. No history was submitted concerning the circumstances involved.

Forty-one of the 42 wildlife accessions involved rabies examinations. Sixteen submissions were for bats. All 41 specimens were negative for rabies.

Most of the "other" accessions involved water analysis for livestock use. Of 14 analysis, 6 specimens were either "poor" or "unsuitable" for livestock use.

As might be expected, Gallatin County led all counties in number of accessions submitted with 36. Yellowstone County followed with 26 submissions. Ravalli and Garfield counties submitted 15 each. Only Lincoln, Petroleum, Mineral, Golden Valley, Wibaux, Liberty, Carter, Judith Basin, Sanders, Deer Lodge, Madison, and Toole counties failed to be represented with laboratory submissions. Some of these counties do not have a practicing veterinarian within its boundaries.

With the addition of Dr. Inhelder to our staff, we are looking forward to being able to offer 72-hour service on histopathology work in the immediate future. New Final Report Forms are in the process of being printed, and barring unforeseen problems, should be available for use in a month or so. Many of you might already have received informal "Preliminary Reports" from the laboratory, reporting on the progress of specimens received at the laboratory. We are hopeful that this will keep you better informed of what is being done in the laboratory and will also alert you of any delays or problems encountered. We are still experiencing some problems in that a few veterinarians are not furnishing us a complete history, including sex, age, number in herd, etc. PLEASE FILL OUT THE SV 43 FORMS AS COMPLETELY AS POSSIBLE. Again, please feel free and welcome to call the laboratory on any problems you might encounter or any questions you might have regarding our capabilities.

SEROLOGY REPORT

TEST	SPECIES	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	SUSPICIOUS	TOTAL
Anaplasma CF.....	Cattle.....		457	9	466
*Bluetongue.....	".....		367	54	421
Brucella abortus agglutination.....	Cattle.....		14,063	42	14,105
" " " ... (Card - Field & Market)....	".....	71	2,073		2,144
" " "	Goat.....		8		8
" " "	Horse.....		10		10
" " "	Swine.....		3		3
" " " ... (Card - Diag. Lab.).....	".....		48		48
" " " ... (Card - Field & Market)....	".....		109		109
*Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins Test).....	Horse.....	6	452		458
Leptospira borincana agglutination.....	Cattle.....		11		11
" canicola "	".....		11		11
" grippo-typhosa "	".....		11		11
" hardjo agglutination.....	".....		11		11
" hebdomadis "	".....		11		11
" icterohemorrhagia agglutination.....	".....		12	1	13
" jules agglutination.....	".....		11		11
" pomona "	".....		17	1	18
TOTAL SEROLOGY TESTS.....		77	17,685	107	17,869

* Test results reported from various out-of-state laboratories.



MONTANA VETERINARIANS' ANIMAL DISEASE REPORT

AUGUST, 1974

73 Veterinarians Reporting..... 32 Counties Reporting..... 36 Diseases Reported

DISEASES AND SPECIES:

CATTLE:

Actinobacillosis.....
 Anaplasmosis.....
 Arthritis.....
 Bacillary hemoglobinuria
 Blackleg.....
 Brisket edema.....
 Cancer eye.....
 Coccidiosis.....
 Diphtheria.....
 Foot-rot.....
 Helminthiasis.....
 Leptospirosis.....
 Mastitis.....
 Metritis.....
 Pulmonary emphysema....
 Rhinotracheitis.....
 Ringworm.....
 Shipping fever.....
 Urolithiasis.....
 Virus diarrhea.....

SHEEP:

Enterotoxemia.....
 Foot-rot.....

SWINE:

Atropic rhinitis.....
 Erysipelas.....
 Leptospirosis.....

HORSES:

Distemper.....
 Encephalomyelitis.....
 Infectious anemia.....
 Influenza.....

DOGS:

Distemper.....
 Infectious hepatitis...
 Leptospirosis.....
 Poison.....
 Sarcoptic mange.....

INDEX OF COUNTIES														
1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9	11	12	13	14	15		
10	8	40					9	10	2					
		8												
			2		7					6				
		1			2		1							
7	4	37	1		2				1					
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		6				1								
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		25												
		4												
		3	7		1	1								
										1				
		3												
						5								
		5			3			1			1			
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										100				
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					1									
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20	20	1	4	19	2				3	4				
1	1			3										
1														

DISEASES AND SPECIES:

	INDEX OF COUNTIES							TOTAL CASES	TOTAL HERDS
	47	48	49	51	52	53	56		
<u>CATTLE:</u>									
Actinobacillosis.....	1							69	43
Anaplasmosis.....			1	4		1		32	16
Arthritis.....								9	5
Bacillary hemoglobinuria								15	9
Blackleg.....				6				10	4
Brisket edema.....			3					3	3
Cancer eye.....	5							70	41
Coccidiosis.....				2				87	14
Diphtheria.....					3			3	1
Foot-rot.....								15	10
Helminthiasis.....								11	3
Leptospirosis.....								27	8
Mastitis.....								25	16
Metritis.....								4	2
Pulmonary emphysema...				1				58	19
Rhinotracheitis.....								2	2
Ringworm.....								3	2
Shipping fever.....								9	6
Urolithiasis.....				1				17	13
Virus diarrhea.....					1			7	6
<u>SHEEP:</u>									
Enterotoxemia.....				65				65	1
Foot-rot.....								100	1
<u>SWINE:</u>									
Atropic rhinitis.....								9	6
Erysipelas.....		4	2	2				14	7
Leptospirosis.....								1	1
<u>HORSES:</u>									
Distemper.....			3				1	71	20
Encephalomyelitis....								8	8
Infectious anemia.....								1	1
Influenza.....				6		2		46	32
<u>DOGS:</u>									
Distemper.....								96	91
Infectious hepatitis..								5	3
Leptospirosis.....								1	1
Poison.....								10	10
Sarcoptic mange.....								1	1
TOTAL CASES AND HERDS....								904	406

MONTANA VETERINARIAN'S ANIMAL DISEASE REPORT

INDEX OF COUNTIES

NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY
1.....	Silverbow	20.....	Valley	30.....	Fallon
2.....	Cascade	21.....	Toole	40.....	Sweet Grass
3.....	Yellowstone	22.....	Big Horn	41.....	McCone
4.....	Missoula	23.....	Musselshell	42.....	Carter
5.....	Lewis & Clark	24.....	Blaine	43.....	Broadwater
6.....	Gallatin	25.....	Madison	44.....	Wheatland
7.....	Flathead	26.....	Pondera	45.....	Prairie
8.....	Fergus	27.....	Richland	46.....	Granite
9.....	Powder River	28.....	Powell	47.....	Meagher
10.....	Carbon	29.....	Rosebud	48.....	Liberty
11.....	Phillips	30.....	Deer Lodge	49.....	Park
12.....	Hill	31.....	Teton	50.....	Garfield
13.....	Ravalli	32.....	Stillwater	51.....	Jefferson
14.....	Custer	33.....	Treasure	52.....	Wibaux
15.....	Lake	34.....	Sheridan	53.....	Golden Valley
16.....	Dawson	35.....	Sanders	54.....	Mineral
17.....	Roosevelt	36.....	Judith Basin	55.....	Petroleum
18.....	Beaverhead	37.....	Daniels	56.....	Lincoln
19.....	Chouteau	38.....	Glacier		

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(California)

Female Beef Cattle

A negative 30-day blood test is required of all female beef animals except (1) vaccinates under 24 months of age, (2) slaughter cattle, (3) feeder cattle under 18 months of age, (4) cattle that are native to the far western states of Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, and that part of Idaho west of Highway 93.

NEVADA: Cattle - Change in Brucellosis Regulations - effective 9-21-74

Special permit and negative test on feeding, breeding and stocker cattle from Modified Certified Brucellosis Free areas. Those cattle from Certified Brucellosis Free areas as in Montana are exempt from permit and test requirements.

NORTH CAROLINA: Horses: Change to Require Coggins Test - effective 10-15-74

Negative official test for Equine Infectious Anemia within six (6) months prior to entry.

OREGON: Cattle - Change in Brucellosis Regulations - effective 10-11-74

All eligible cattle must have a prior permit and be tested negative for brucellosis during a 30 day period prior to entry. Subject to quarantine separate and apart from other cattle at destination and retest not sooner than 30 days nor longer than 60 days after importation at owners expense. Eligible cattle include brucellosis vaccinated beef cattle over 24 months and dairy cattle over 20 months and all other female cattle including springers and post parturient and bulls over eight months.

Horses - Negative Coggins Test

All equidae must have had a negative equine infectious (EIA) test during the previous six months if over six months of age.

Dogs - Cats and Small Pets

Oregon permit must be obtained for all dogs cats and small pets before entering Oregon by commercial carrier for breeding purposes or for resale.

Permits

An Oregon permit must be obtained from the State Veterinarian for any and all livestock previous to its entry into that State.

TEXAS: Changes in Regulations 8-22-74

(Texas)

Health Certificates - Must be issued within 10 days prior to date shipment enters the state.

Cattle - Brucellosis

All cattle must be accompanied by health certificates showing individual identification - ear tag, fire-brand, tattoo. Cattle originating from non-quarantined herd in Certified Brucellosis Free area are exempt from test.

Equine Coggins Test

All equidae must be negative to Coggins test within six months prior to entry and test form copy to be attached to Health Certificates.

VEE Vaccination

Required on all horses showing date of vaccination. (No stipulation as to duration of vaccination)

Dogs - Cats and Exotic Animals

Rabies immunization within twelve months prior to entry; dogs under four months exempt.

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NOTICE TO MONTANA VETERINARIANS

IMPORTANT

POLICY CHANGE IN NOTIFICATION OF LABORATORY RESULTS

November 12, 1974

The Board of Livestock at their meeting on November 7, 1974, directed the Diagnostic Laboratory, Animal Health Division to mail a copy of the new "Final Laboratory Report" (SV Form 51) to the owner as well as to the attending veterinarian.

On this new form, "Comment" will appear on the veterinarians copy in some cases following the "Diagnosis" --, but in each case those "Comments" will be omitted from the owners copy. This section is reserved for communications of a professional and/or personal nature relating to interpretations, differential diagnoses, and additional diagnostic procedures.

No attempt will be made by the Laboratory to interfere with the veterinarian-client relationship through these reports. These reports will retain precise medical terminology and no attempt will be made to "simplify" the report. To avoid a communicative misunderstanding on the matter of diagnosis, an insert will be enclosed with the owners copy that will read:

"This final laboratory report, summarizing findings made on specimens submitted by your veterinarian, carries a "Diagnosis". In some cases the laboratory diagnosis may differ from the field diagnosis made by your veterinarian. When there is a difference, both may be correct. Most of these final reports should be discussed with your veterinarian because of the specific terms used in relating to laboratory findings."

This policy change comes as the reaction of several Board members to a number of complaints they received from livestock producers relating to the responsiveness of this Laboratory. This Directive is not the result of professional differences by the laboratory veterinarians and the practicing veterinarians.

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MONTHLY LETTER - NOVEMBER, 1974

ANTHRAX IN RICHLAND COUNTY HERD

A field diagnosis of Anthrax was made in mid-October by Dr. Howard K. McNew, veterinary practitioner of Sidney, in a Richland County beef herd where three cows had suddenly died. Specimens submitted to the Diagnostic Laboratory at Bozeman were culturally positive for Bacillus anthracis.

This Northeastern Montana County had Anthrax losses in the summers of 1957 and 1961 in several herds on other creek drainages. An outbreak in October is an unusual occurrence of that disease in Montana. Dr. McNew and Dr. H. A. Brosz, District Deputy State Veterinarian suggest that exposure may have occurred in these cattle because of chewing old bones. This highly alkaline summer range where the cattle do not accept phosphorus supplements free-choice, is a part of a historically identified anthrax area.

The more than two-hundred head of cattle in the herd have been vaccinated with Sternes Strain vaccine, and are presently under quarantine. Adjacent herds are under close surveillance and because air-borne insect activity is almost nil, those herds are not expected to be involved. The carcasses of the three dead cows have been burned along with bones that could be collected in the pasture.

BRUCELLOSIS INCREASES IN MONTANA AND THE U.S.

Brucellosis continues to pose a threat to Montana cattlemen. Presently, there are 17 Montana herds quarantined because of known infection with the Brucella abortus biotype I organism. The number of infected herds has varied from 666 herds July 1, 1957 to seven July 1, 1972. A cumulative total of 20 herds were quarantined in FY 1973 and 18 herds in FY 1974. The source of infection for 12 of the 17 herds (70 percent) was traced to the addition of untested replacement cows that were offered for sale in Montana.

The increase in Brucellosis noted to date in FY 1975 emphasizes the need for the Department of Livestock to encourage (1) the vaccination of all possible replacement heifers with Strain 19 Brucella vaccine, and (2) herd owners to require that all herd additions be tested for brucellosis prior to introducing them into their herds.

These key points are being re-emphasized in the national brucellosis program where a resurgence of the disease is reported. The number of infected herds in the U.S. jumped from 11,578 in fiscal year 1972 to 14,249 in fiscal year 1974 - a 19 percent increase.

Much of this increase is due to the movement of infected and exposed cattle into herds without test, and this is the greatest problem in Montana. Other reasons

for the national increase is the basic fact that Southern states are finally achieving more complete herd and area tests and so more reactors are resulting. But a real dilemma of national significance now exists in that the vaccinated population appears to be less than needed to effectuate a prompt eradication of bovine brucellosis. Too many states have delayed their testing program long enough to lose the benefits of the vaccination program of a decade ago.

The following article was taken from the "Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report", Center for Disease Control, Atlanta, Georgia:

"ANIMAL ANTHRAX ASSOCIATED WITH PACK SADDLE PADS - WASHINGTON

On September 2 and 3, 38 animals at a private game farm near Sequim, Washington, died of probable anthrax. By September 9, a total of 42 deaths had occurred among 125 carnivores at the farm. Most of the deaths were in cougars and other large felines. At necropsy, 2 cougars had pharyngeal and cervical edema, splenomegaly, and multiple hemorrhages in lymph nodes and other organs. *Bacillus anthracis* was isolated from tissues of 2 cougars and 1 jaguar.

On August 31, the large cats had been fed meat from a horse which had died suddenly the previous day. *B. anthracis* was subsequently isolated from a portion of the horse meat which remained at the game farm. Five days prior to death, the affected horse had returned from a pack trip to the Olympic Mountains. During the trip the horse had been severely bitten by flies, resulting in visible cutaneous bleeding. Several other horses which were less severely bitten did not become ill.

New pack saddle pads made of goat hair had been used for the first time during the trip. Samples obtained from 1 of these pads and from 8 other unused pads remaining at retail outlets were culture-positive for *B. anthracis*.

The saddle pads had been obtained from a California distributor who had purchased them from the Perforated Pad Company in Rhode Island. Interviews regarding the origin of the raw materials and manufacturing process revealed the following information. The saddle pads contained (a) coarse goat hair, (b) cashmere (fine goat hair), (c) fibrene blend, and (d) a quilted cotton duck or canvas cover on 1 side of the pad. The coarse goat hair was reportedly imported from Pakistan by a broker in New Jersey and is usually shipped directly to a plant in Massachusetts. There, the hair, fibrene material, and cashmere are incorporated into a hair felt pad. The cashmere, imported from Afghanistan, is obtained from a second Rhode Island firm. The hair felt manufactured by the Massachusetts firm is sold exclusively to the Perforated Pad Company, which completes the production of the pack saddle pads. Samples of the coarse goat hair, fibrene, cashmere, and hair felt pad from the Massachusetts firm, and hair felt pad from the Perforated Pad Company have been cultured. Hair felt pads from the Perforated Pad Company and the Massachusetts firm and cashmere obtained at the plant in Massachusetts were culture-positive for *B. anthracis*. Repeat cultures of coarse goat hair from the Massachusetts firm and cultures of cashmere scraps collected at the second Rhode Island plant are being performed. Production of the saddle pads has been curtailed pending the results of the investigation."

Investigation by this Department showed 498 Alaskan Hair Saddle Pads (Model # 832, 832R and 238R) had been shipped into Montana in the spring and summer of this year. Of the 498 saddle pads only 95 remain untraceable. One saddle pad, of the numerous pads cultured at the Diagnostic Laboratory at Bozeman, was positive for Anthrax, but no horses or other animals in Montana have been diagnosed as Anthrax victims from exposure by these pads.

The investigation is continuing and any information you have regarding saddle pads of the above style numbers should be referred to this Department.

CURRENT INFORMATION ON TOXOPLASMOSIS

The following material is taken from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Animal Health Division "Animal Health" October 1974 Newsletter.

"Wisconsin Animal Health Laboratories

Toxoplasmosis notes from the 16th annual midwest interprofessional seminar on diseases common to animals and man:

Ninety-eight percent of toxoplasmosis cases in humans and in cats is subclinical. Transmission is primarily by ingestion of infested meat and/or oocysts and very rarely occurs transplacentally.

Diagnosis in humans is best accomplished by serodiagnosis as the antibody development is prompt and high titers are reached. In cats, however, antibody development is slow and only relatively low titers develop, so that the antibody titers during disease differ little from those after recovery. Actually, most kittens die prior to development of any significant titers and most adult cats do not develop the disease. Cats that do show a titer are immune and the shedding of oocysts has ceased.

Fecal examination in cats is the most important method of diagnosis. The oocysts resemble those of coccidia except they are only 1/3 to 1/2 (10-13 microns) the size of coccidia oocysts. The common hypertonic sucrose or zinc sulfate flotation media combined with centrifugation can be used.

A fluorescent antibody test for toxoplasmosis is available.

Sulfadiazine is the drug of choice for treatment. The recommended dose is 100 mg/kg divided into four daily doses. Pyrimethamine (Daraprim) is sometimes used to enhance the effectiveness of the sulfadiazine. Prolonged treatment should be avoided as it will affect platelet maturation.

Sulfadiazine-Daraprim treatment markedly diminishes but not completely abolishes oocyst shedding by cats."

NEW DEPUTY STATE VETERINARIAN

Perry Ryneer, D.V.M.

Townsend, MT.



AUTOPSIES PERFORMED REPORT

SPECIES	NUMBER
Bat.....	14
Cat.....	1
Cattle.....	6
Chicken.....	7
Chipmunk.....	1
Dog.....	2
Fetus:	
Bovine.....	1
Equine.....	2
Horse.....	3
Mouse.....	1
Muskrat.....	2
Raccoon.....	1
Rat.....	2
Sheep.....	1
Skunk.....	3
Swine.....	10
Weasel.....	1
TOTAL AUTOPSIES PERFORMED.....	58

SUMMARY OF THE LABORATORY REPORT
FOR SEPTEMBER, 1974

The diagnostic Laboratory processed 279 accessions during the month of September, 1974. A breakdown by species, showing number of accessions, number diagnosed, and percentage diagnosed, is as follows:

<u>Species</u>	<u>No. of Accessions</u>	<u>No. of Diagnosis</u>	<u>% Diagnosed</u>
Bovine	113	61	54%
Equine	38	22	58%
Porcine	19	12	63%
Ovine	2	2	100%
Feline	10	8	80%
Canine	36	34	94%
Avian	14	9	64%
Wildlife	30	30	100%
Other	17	12	70%

The 100% diagnosis on Wildlife species all involved rabies suspects.

As was the case in August, 25 Bovine accessions were reported out as undetermined due to a lack of paired serum samples.

As a "rule of thumb," the laboratory is trying to be fair and consistent in reporting out "Undetermined," "Not Diagnosed," and "Incomplete." In those cases involving serology and paired serum samples are desired, we report our findings as "Incomplete" if paired sera are not submitted. For clarification: we suggest an acute blood sample be drawn, the clot removed, and the sera held under refrigeration until a second blood sample is drawn three weeks later. Then both sera should be submitted to the laboratory at the same time. In this way, both sera are run against the same system, same cells, same controls, etc.

In cases where not all diagnostic tissue, blood, or specimens were received at the lab (i.e. fetus, no maternal blood) and we feel we did not have a fair chance to make a diagnosis, we feel justified in reporting out our findings as "Undetermined," with the feeling being that we did not have all available and desired tools to make a diagnosis. The term "Not Diagnosed" applies when we feel we have had every chance to arrive at a diagnosis and we were unable to arrive at one.

We find nothing outstanding in the Bovine category in September. In cooperation with Dr. Holcomb, we have been attempting the isolation of Brucella organisms from suspect Brucellosis herds. We have been successful in a number of cases. The cultures are referred to NADL for typing with most cultures being Biotype 1.

Due to the delay in obtaining results from NADL, we have, in the past several months, sent our Equine serum to Rocky Mountain Laboratory in Hamilton

for WEE and EEE serology. We very much appreciate their cooperation and results are being reported in 7-10 days. We have reported out several positive WEE sera.

One-fourth of the Canine accessions for the month consisted of neoplasm submissions.

On two occasions in September, we diagnosed histomoniasis in Avian specimens with one of these diagnosis being in a wild turkey.

The bulk of the rabies specimens for the month consisted of bats. We looked at twelve bats and this was followed by eight skunks.

Again, Gallatin County led all counties with specimen submissions. Second was Yellowstone County followed by Missoula County.

As you no doubt know, the State-Federal Serology Laboratory, headed by Mr. Ike Sheehan, is literally swamped with blood samples. The new Canadian requirements on feeder steers and the large number of sales, accounts for much of the increased workload. That section of the laboratory is doing its best to keep current with incoming blood, but at times it seems impossible. We have a new serologist in that section, Mrs. Alice Boughton, who is on full-time duty assisting Ike. Mrs. Boughton has a B.S. in Microbiology from Montana State University. She has had considerable experience in several hospitals in the state. This is the first time we have been able to have full-time, experienced help to back up Mr. Sheehan.

One more suggestion--if you will submit specimens for histopathology in 10% formalin, we can gain 24 hours in getting the specimen processed. In addition, the specimen is almost always of superior quality with less autolysis.

SEROLOGY REPORT

TEST	SPECIES	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	SUSPICIOUS	TOTAL
Anaplasma CF.....	Cattle....	734	63	797	
Anaplasmosis.....	Deer....	2		2	
Bluetongue.....	Cattle....	740	43	783	
".....	Deer....	2		2	
Brucella abortus agglutination.....	Cattle....	13,277	35	13,312	
" " " ... (Card - Field & Market)...	".....	4,346		4,346	
" " "	Deer....	2		2	
" " "	Goat....	5		5	
" " "	Horse....	2		2	
" " "	Swine....	10		10	
" " " ... (Card - Diag. Lab.).....	".....	29		29	
" " " ... (Card - Field & Market)...	".....	7		7	
Brucellosis Ring Test.....	Cream....	204	1	205	
" Seminal Plasma.....	Cattle....	2		2	
Leptospira borincana agglutination.....	".....	3		3	
" canicola "	".....	3		3	
" grippo-typhosa "	".....	3		3	
" hardjo "	".....	6	1	7	
" hebdomadis "	".....	2		2	
" icterohemorrhagia agglutination.....	".....	3		3	
" jules agglutination.....	".....	3		3	
" pomona "	".....	32	3	35	
*Western Equine Encephalitis.....	Horse....	11	282	293	
TOTAL SEROLOGY TESTS		11	19,699	146	19,856

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SEPTEMBER-1974

80 Veterinarians Reporting..... 31 Counties Reporting..... 30 Diseases Reported

DISEASES AND SPECIES:CATTLE:

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Brucellosis.....			16																
Cancer eye.....	6	6	49				7	3					9	2					
Coccidiosis.....			6		2						3								
Grass tetany.....																			
Helminthiasis.....			1								3								
Infectious keratitis..							108												
Mastitis.....			2																
Metritis.....			2																
Nutritional.....			2																
Pulmonary emphysema...		3	5				2		7			8		6					
Rhinotracheitis.....			1					4											
Shipping fever.....	22	12						1			60			2					
Urolithiasis.....				1				1						2					
Virus diarrhea.....			1								1								
Virus warts.....			4																

SWINE:

Erysipelas.....				8				10											
Scabies.....																			

HORSES:

Distemper.....	23	7		2					2						5				
Encephalomyelitis.....		1								2									
Influenza.....		2	3		4		21							5	12				
Tetanus.....					1														

DOGS:

Distemper.....	30	9	8	8	1	1				2					8				
Infectious hepatitis..		1																	
Leptospirosis.....										1									

POULTRY:

Cholera.....																			
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Blackleg.....				7	4
Brisket edema.....		2		2	2
Brucellosis.....				16	10
Cancer eye.....				94	60
Coccidiosis.....		1		12	6
Grass tetany.....	4			4	1
Helminthiasis.....				9	5
Infectious keratitis...				108	72
Mastitis.....				2	1
Metritis.....				2	1
Nutritional.....				2	1
Pulmonary emphysema...	2			45	18
Rhinotracheitis.....				5	2
Shipping fever.....			1	98	9
Urolithiasis.....				5	5
Virus diarrhea.....		2		4	4
Virus warts.....				4	2
<u>SWINE:</u>					
Erysipelas.....			2	20	4
Scabies.....				20	1
<u>HORSES:</u>					
Distemper.....			1	57	36
Encephalomyelitis.....				9	6
Influenza.....				47	12
Tetanus.....				1	1
<u>DOGS:</u>					
Distemper.....		1	2	93	88
Infectious hepatitis...				1	1
Leptospirosis.....				4	4
<u>POULTRY:</u>					
Cholera.....			95	95	1
TOTAL CASES AND HERDS.....				851	403

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INDEX OF COUNTIES

NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY
1.....	Silverbow	20.....	Valley	39.....	Fallon
2.....	Cascade	21.....	Toole	40.....	Sweet Grass
3.....	Yellowstone	22.....	Big Horn	41.....	McCone
4.....	Missoula	23.....	Musselshell	42.....	Carter
5.....	Lewis & Clark	24.....	Blaine	43.....	Broadwater
6.....	Gallatin	25.....	Madison	44.....	Wheatland
7.....	Flathead	26.....	Pondera	45.....	Prairie
8.....	Fergus	27.....	Richland	46.....	Granite
9.....	Powder River	28.....	Powell	47.....	Meagher
10.....	Carbon	29.....	Rosebud	48.....	Liberty
11.....	Phillips	30.....	Deer Lodge	49.....	Park
12.....	Hill	31.....	Teton	50.....	Garfield
13.....	Ravalli	32.....	Stillwater	51.....	Jefferson
14.....	Custer	33.....	Treasure	52.....	Wibaux
15.....	Lake	34.....	Sheridan	53.....	Golden Valley
16.....	Dawson	35.....	Sanders	54.....	Mineral
17.....	Roosevelt	36.....	Judith Basin	55.....	Petroleum
18.....	Beaverhead	37.....	Daniels	56.....	Lincoln
19.....	Chouteau	38.....	Glacier		

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEPTOSPIROSIS

U.S. Animal Health Association Leptospirosis Committee Report-1974

This report is included in this month's letter as a separate attachment for reference purposes. You are encouraged to review the report carefully as it contains many practical recommendations as to the surveillance, diagnosis and control of leptospiral infections of domestic animals.

As announced in the July, 1974 news letter, the Diagnostic Laboratory is using the microscopic agglutination (MA) test. Therefore, any animal serum having a titer of 1:100 or greater to any of the eight serotypes included in the antigen battery will be considered positive. However, you are encouraged to submit serum specimens from at least 10 animals or greater (preferably 10 percent of the herd) as an absolute minimum to establish the diagnosis of leptospirosis in the herd.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEPTOSPIROSIS

78TH ANNUAL MEETING U.S. ANIMAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER 18, 1974
Roanoke, Virginia

The Committee reviewed developments in leptospirosis as presented in reports on diagnostic control and research activities of the previous year. The meeting agenda included: (1) the results of serologic testing of various species for various serotypes; (2) the significance of serologic titers; (3) reports of recent outbreaks from newly recognized serotypes; (4) the status of new bacterins; (5) control of leptospiral outbreaks in cattle, and (6) revision of the 1957 USDA special report on leptospirosis.

The summary of a leptospiral serologic survey was obtained from data from 20 diagnostic laboratories located in 18 states. The results were obtained with the microscopic agglutination (MA) test in 10 laboratories and with the macroscopic agglutination (Plate) test in 10 laboratories. Table 1 summarizes the compiled information on cattle, swine, horse and dog sera. The data on cattle and swine involved reports from all laboratories, the equine test reports were from 8 laboratories, and the dog test reports from 10 laboratories. An analysis of the summary of the test results indicates the predominant serotypes in cattle were pomona, hardjo, and grippotyphosa, in swine pomona, grippotyphosa, and icterohaemorrhagiae, in horses all the five serotypes except hardjo, and in dogs canicola, icterohaemorrhagiae, and grippotyphosa. Some regional variations were apparent as hardjo reactions were not reported from the two laboratories from the northeastern region.

The Committee discussed various problems related to serodiagnosis of leptospirosis. Inadequate sampling has been a problem in confirming the clinical diagnosis of leptospirosis in cattle and swine herds. Frequently field sampling has been limited to serum samples from only one or two animals that have aborted or shown other clinical signs associated with leptospirosis. THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT WHEN LEPTOSPIROSIS IS SUSPECTED AS A HERD PROBLEM THE PRACTICING VETERINARIAN SHOULD SUBMIT SERUMS FROM AT LEAST 10 ANIMALS OR GREATER, FROM 10 PERCENT OF THE HERD. THE SAMPLING SHOULD INCLUDE SERUM FROM BOTH AFFECTED AND NORMAL ANIMALS SO THAT THE EXTENT AND DURATION OF THE EPIZOOTIC CAN BE ESTIMATED. Samples should be accompanied by clinical histories from each animal tested.

Diagnostic laboratories are encouraged to use serotypes pomona, hardjo, canicola, icterohaemorrhagiae, and grippotyphosa in their test systems. Those having the technical competence to safely cultivate leptospires and use living antigens are encouraged to use the microscopic agglutination test and the microtiter system which enables the more efficient application of the test. The long retrospect of the microscopic agglutination test should be considered in relating serologic findings to clinical diseases.

The proper interpretation of the significance of antibody titers was emphasized. ANTIBODY TITERS OF AT LEAST 1:40 ON THE PLATE TEST (STONNER ANTIGEN) OR 1:100 ON THE MICROSCOPIC AGGLUTINATION TEST INDICATE PAST EXPOSURE TO LEPTOSPIRES AND THE HEIGHT OF ANTIBODY TITER BEARS LITTLE OR NO RELATIONSHIP TO THE SHEDDER STATE. SOME INFECTED ANIMALS FAIL TO DEVELOP ANTIBODIES, AND SOME SHED ORGANISMS LONGER THAN THEY REMAIN SEROPOSITIVE. Hence, certification of individual animals as free of leptospirosis for interstate or international shipment without knowledge of the serologic status of the rest of the herd cannot be recognized as a sound control

procedure.

An outbreak of leptospirosis due to serotype mini-szwajizak in an Oregon dairy herd was reported to the committee. This is the first cultural evidence of the existence of this serotype in the United States. Mini-szwajizak is the major serotype causing leptospirosis in man and dairy cattle in Israel. The major signs noted in this herd were infertility, stillborn or weak calves that died within two weeks and mastitis. Abortions were also noted, but they were not considered to be the major problem. The clinical problems and mortality rate were reduced subsequent to vaccination of the entire herd with hardjo and mini-szwajizak bacterins. Therefore, the efficacy of the individual bacterins could not be determined. The same clinical problems are also occurring in two additional epidemiologically related herds. However, laboratory studies have not been attempted.

Status of new bacterins was discussed. In September, 1974, a one year license was granted to one pharmaceutical company to manufacture for sale a triple bacterin containing the pomona, grippotyphosa, and hardjo serotypes. A special report entitled "Host Animal Efficacy Studies Using a Multivalent Leptospira Bacterin" was presented by H. L. Strother and is published elsewhere in this proceeding. Since August, 1973, single bacterin hardjo and grippotyphosa have been available and utilized for prevention and control. These two single bacterins will now be replaced by the triple bacterin product. The product is only available from one veterinary biologic company.

Bacterins containing the icterohaemorrhagiae and canicola serotypes are licensed by several companies for use in cattle and swine. The pomona bacterin is available as a single antigen from several companies.

Utilization of bacterins is dependent upon identification of sero group in the geographical area of herds under consideration. A report on the use of combined chemotherapy and vaccination for the control of outbreaks of leptospiral abortion in beef cattle was received by the committee. BROOD COWS IN FIVE HERDS IN IDAHO WERE VACCINATED WITH LEPTOSPIRAL VACCINE AND SIMULTANEOUSLY TREATED WITH 25 mg. DIHYDROSTREPTOMYCIN PER KILO BODY WEIGHT. IN EVERY HERD, ABORTIONS CEASED TO OCCUR SHORTLY AFTER TREATMENT. The authors emphasized that this treatment regime is best applied to herds in which the disease is diagnosed during the early phase of an epizootic.

Although the Committee recognized many of the previous goals in leptospirosis research have been accomplished, the following areas are in need of further research: (1) as serologic data indicate leptospirosis is an important disease of horses, more intensive investigation of the effects of the disease on reproduction in horses and determination of the efficacy of bacterins in the control of equine leptospirosis; (2) further evaluation of the efficacy of leptospiral bacterins utilizing available testing procedures; (3) further determination of the distribution of the serotypes tarrasovi, autumnalis and szwajizak in the United States and the pathogenesis in cattle, swine, and horses and (4) long term evaluation of dihydrostreptomycin therapy in cattle and swine.

The Committee commends the US Department of Agriculture for the decision to revise the informational release on leptospirosis. The Committee has accepted the responsibility for assistance in the preparation of the new paper.

T A B L E I

ALL SPECIES
MICROSCOPIC AND MACROSCOPIC*
AGGULUTINATION TITERS FOR LEPTOSPIROSIS
1974

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>NO. SERA TESTED</u>	<u>HARDJO</u>	<u>POMONA</u>	<u>GRIPPO- TYPHOSA</u>	<u>CANICOLA</u>	<u>ICTERO- HAEMORRHAGIAE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Cattle	66,522	7.2	6.5	1.4	0.7	0.8	16.4
Swine	13,458	0.4	5.6	0.9	0.2	0.8	7.9
Horses	2,121	0.4	4.9	2.2	2.8	4.3	14.6
Dog	296	-0-	0.7	1.7	7.7	4.4	14.5

Most were conducted in 1973, but some diagnostic laboratories reported July to June tests for the 1973-1974 year.

EXCERPTS AND SUMMARIES OF CHANGE IN PROGRAMS OF REGULATIONS AFFECTING MOVEMENT OF LIVESTOCK

"Special Notice To Veterinarians From Diagnostic Laboratory."

Mr. Ike Sheehan has four problem areas in his work that could be corrected in the field and would help immensely to lighten his workload. Perhaps you can help.

- (1) For all export shipments, he must have a full tube of blood or 3 cc's of clear serum.
- (2) Please use the proper forms when submitting blood for particular tests. Forms are available for Brucellosis, Anaplasmosis, and Leptospirosis. Blood for Bluetongue testing should be submitted on an Anaplasmosis form. Mark out "Anaplasmosis" and substitute the words "Bluetongue." If both tests are required, just add the words "Bluetongue."
- (3) The plastic blood tubes are treated with a solution to help remove clots and prevent hemolysis. Do not re-use the plastic tubes unless they have been washed and treated at the laboratory.
- (4) Please do not submit blood to the laboratory in a hypodermic syringe. It is almost impossible to get the blood out of the syringe without getting cell destruction and hemolysis.

Ike would certainly appreciate your cooperation.

ARIZONA - Negative Coggins Test 10-23-74

All horses, ponies, mules and asses entering Arizona must be accompanied by an official health certificate showing negative results to agar-gel immunodiffusion test for EIA within 6 months prior to entry. Enforcement will begin January 1, 1975.

MAINE - Permits required on animals, avians and reptiles

Any person or persons bringing horses, cattle, mules, asses, sheep, goats, swine, wild animals, avian species or fertile eggs of such species, amphibians or reptiles into the State may be required by the commissioner to obtain a permit previous to the time of entry, said permit to accompany shipment.

MASSACHUSETTS - Negative Coggins Test 10-15-74

Effective October 20, 1974, each equine animal entering Massachusetts must

Massachusetts (Continued)

have a negative Coggins test (no stipulation given as to time element) certified to by the attachment of the original test chart with full and complete identification thereon shown.

MINNESOTA - Negative Coggins Test 10-1-74

1. Effective September 23, 1974, horses imported into Minnesota on a permanent basis will need a health certificate issued within 30 days prior to importation certifying to a negative test for EIA within 6 months prior to importation.
 2. H.C. and tests not required for horses in rodeos, circuses, trail rides, horse shows or for slaughter.
 3. Sale horses need H.C. If sold to remain in Minnesota, they must be tested before released from sale, if not previously tested for compliance.
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NEBRASKA - Change of Import Requirement for Cattle 10-30-74

Brucellosis - Cattle:

All female cattle and bulls entering the State of Nebraska over six (6) months of age must be tested for Brucellosis and found negative within thirty (30) days before entry and results recorded on official health certificates.

Exceptions:

1. Official brucellosis vaccinated heifers of beef breeds up to twenty-four (24) months of age and dairy breeds up to twenty (20) months of age may enter without test and with proof of vaccination.
 2. Cattle that originate in an accredited herd and the herd number appears on accompanying health certificate.
 3. Spayed heifers and steers are exempted.
 4. Cattle going directly to federally inspected slaughtering plant.
 5. Female cattle of the beef breeds under eighteen (18) months of age may enter with permit and health certificate to be held in isolation from other cattle for feedlot purposes and be identified by brand, tattoo, or metal ear tag.
 6. Cattle may move directly from farm or ranch in certified or modified certified areas to an approved market for test prior to sale or sold for slaughter only.
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MONTHLY LETTER - DECEMBER, 1974

PROGRESS IN RECOVERING SADDLE PADS

Recovery of the Alaska Hair Saddle Pads distributed in Montana, described last month as potentially infected with anthrax spores, has been very satisfactory. It has now been determined that a total of 566 of these pads manufactured by the Perforated Pad Company in Rhode Island entered Montana in 1974 and at this time a total of 495 have been located and destroyed. The effort extended by veterinarians, retailers, and public health sanitarians in accomplishing this recovery makes it now appear that the remaining 71 pads must be considered untraceable.

The recovered pads have been incinerated almost entirely in laboratory incinerators or such facilities available at local centers. Appropriate measures have been pursued to recover the purchase costs in most cases. Some of those pads not recovered may have been appropriately disposed of by their purchasers. Although the impact of the public alert is past, the risk that may still be present in the missing pads is something of veterinary concern in Montana.

MONTANA VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION WINTER MEETING
December 13 & 14, 1974

The winter meeting of the Montana Veterinary Medical Association has been announced by President Paul N. Holcomb for Saturday and Sunday, December 13 and 14, 1974 at the Heritage Inn, Great Falls.

This winter meeting, held earlier than usual, holds significance for Montana Veterinarians. Not only will the Montana Veterinary Practice Act be a subject for pre-legislative discussion, but the Department of Livestock will be presenting information of veterinary legislative interest on the collection of fees for laboratory service and subsequent credit for laboratory expenditures. An increase in the permissive livestock mill levies for funding Department of Livestock programs in the future will also be reviewed.

This winter meeting, moved ahead from January to December, should be of professional and general interest to Montana veterinarians.

FIELD TRIALS TO BE CONDUCTED ON SCOUR VACCINES

The Disease Control Bureau will collaborate with Norden Laboratories in conducting experimental field trials of the Reo-Corona inactivated and modified live virus vaccines in selected Montana herds this next calving season. The inactivated vaccine is designed for use in pregnant cows, whereas modified live Reo-Corona is to be given to calves. Neither of these have been licensed for sale in the United States.

Six Montana herds have been selected for study using the inactivated vaccine. The trials will be a double blind study. Experimental labels will be identical

for vaccine and placebo and each label will be color coded for identification. Neither the veterinarian nor owner will know which is the vaccine or placebo. The product submitted for vaccination will consist of vaccine and placebo in a 1:1 ratio. Vaccine and placebo are to be administered as two 5 ml. doses intramuscularly 4 to 8 weeks apart during the second half of pregnancy.

The modified live virus trials are also double blind as outlined above, however, the vaccine and the placebo will be in a 3:1 ratio. Moreover, the liquid product will be administered orally to calves as soon after birth as possible. Herd selection for these trials will be based on a history of neonatal calf diarrhea and of which a positive diagnosis of the Reo and/or Corona has been demonstrated or is strongly suspected. (Scours occurring up to 12 days of age).

Record sheets will be provided to record ear tags, vaccine color, date of births and vaccinations. A most important part of the records is whether the calves develop diarrhea, at what age, treatment and response to treatment. Records are to be kept daily by the owner and reviewed frequently by the attending veterinarian. The herd owner is also requested to collect fecal samples from all calves that scour within 4-6 hours after the onset of scouring. Samples must be quick frozen, identified by calf number, held frozen and forwarded for testing (containers will be provided for specimen collection). It is vital to the success of these trials that a diagnosis be made on calves that die or develop diarrhea.

Norden Laboratories will provide vaccine, ear tags, etc., at no charge, and pay in full for all veterinary services for the trials.

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It is the wish of the staff members of the Diagnostic Laboratory in Bozeman and the Animal Health Division in Helena that each of you as friends and associates have a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.

SUMMARY OF THE LABORATORY REPORT
FOR DECEMBER, 1974

October has been a very busy but interesting month from the lab's standpoint. Total accessions processed were 348.

The accessions processed are as follows:

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Bovine	171
Equine	42
Porcine	17
Ovine	2
Feline	21
Canine	33
Avian	13
Wildlife	23
Other	26

The story of the anthrax contaminated saddle pads and the anthrax out-break were related in last month's newsletter. It was interesting that both out-breaks occurred within the same week after going approximately eight years with no "anthrax activity" in the laboratory. Many people got the chance to see the "real things" for the first time. We were able to get some "textbook" color slides for our collection.

Also, last month we were able to make our first isolation of a leptospira organism. Mrs. Kay Newman was successful in isolating leptospira from the fresh kidney of a two-year old male bison from the National Bison Range at Moiese. The specific serotype has not been identified, but laboratory work on the isolate continues.

As most of you have probably found out, we are literally swamped with blood samples, primarily for animals to be shipped to Canada. It has created a back-log which means a delay in getting results for about two to three weeks. We have called several places trying to get help from laboratories in other states. Our only success has been at NADL at Ames, Iowa. They are also swamped and running 10-14 days behind. During October the Serology Department (Mr. Sheehan and Mrs. Boughton) processed 29,952 blood samples. About 4,500 of these required both bluetongue and anaplasmosis, in addition to brucella testing. This averages out to about 1,400 tubes per working day. Obviously, they both put in considerable overtime to get the job done.

As a matter of clarification, the laboratory's policy on leptospirosis diagnosis on sera will be as follows: On an individual basis, a titer of 1:100 or greater will be called positive. If the sample is negative to leptospira, we will call it undetermined and note that paired samples were not submitted.

On a herd basis, we will want ten animals or 10% of the herd tested (which ever is greater). Then those showing titers of 1:100 or greater will be called positive on the single sample and an evaluation of the herd status will be made. Again, if samples are negative, we will suggest paired samples be submitted. In summary, single samples showing high titers will be called positive on individual animals. In order to call animals negative for leptospirosis, we feel two samples (three weeks apart) are necessary.

AUTOPSIES PERFORMED REPORT

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Bat.....	1
Cat.....	4
Cattle.....	10
Chicken.....	7
Dog.....	7
Fetus:	
Bovine.....	4
Equine.....	3
Porcine.....	2
Fox.....	1
Horse.....	4
Mouse.....	1
Muskrat.....	1
Raccoon.....	3
Rat.....	1
Skunk.....	3
Squirrel.....	1
Swine.....	15
<u>TOTAL AUTOPSIES PERFORMED.....</u>	<u>68</u>

SEROLOGY REPORT

TEST	SPECIES	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	SUSPICIOUS	TOTAL
Anaplasma CF	Bison		81	6	87
" "	Cattle	1	4,353	71	4,425
Bluetongue	Bison		75	7	82
" "	Cattle		4,252	82	4,334
" "	Goat		3		3
Brucella abortus agglutination	Bison		87		87
" "	Cattle	1	20,223	63	20,287
" " " " (Card - Field & Market)	" "	3	3,073		3,076
" " " " (Card - Diag. Lab.)	" "		137	2	139
" " " " (Seminal plasma)	" "		9		9
" " " "	Horse		2		2
" " " "	Swine		10		10
" " " " (Card - Diag. Lab.)	" "		27		27
" " " " (Card - Field)	" "		97		97
*Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins Test)	Horse		209		209
Leptospira borincana agglutination	Cattle		91		91
" " " "	Horse		5		5
" " " "	Swine		2		2
" " " "	Wildlife		2		2
" <u>canicola</u> " "	Cattle		91		91
" " " "	Horse	1	4		5
" " " "	Swine		2		2
" " " "	Wildlife		2		2
" <u>grippotyphosa</u> " "	Cattle		91		91
" " " "	Horse		5		5
" " " "	Swine		2		2
" " " "	Wildlife		2		2
" <u>hardjo</u> " "	Cattle	5	86		91
" " " "	Horse		5		5
" " " "	Swine		2		2
" " " "	Wildlife		2		2
" <u>hebdomadis</u> " "	Cattle		91	2	93
" " " "	Horse		5		5
" " " "	Swine		2		2
" " " "	Wildlife		2		2

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TEST	SPECIES	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	SUSPICIOUS	TOTAL
<u>Leptospira icterohemorrhagiae</u> agglutination.....	Cattle.....	2	85		87
" " " " " "	Horse.....	1	4		5
" " " " " "	Swine.....	1	1		2
" " " " " "	Wildlife.....	1	1		2
" <u>jules</u> " " " "	Cattle.....		91		91
" " " " " "	Horse.....		5		5
" " " " " "	Swine.....		2		2
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" <u>pomona</u> " " " "	Cattle.....	6	83		89
" " " " " "	Horse.....		5		5
" " " " " "	Swine.....		2		2
" " " " " "	Wildlife.....	1	1		2
TOTAL SEROLOGICAL TESTS.....		23	33,414	233	33,670

*Test results reported from various out-of-state laboratories.

MONTANA VETERINARIANS' ANIMAL DISEASE REPORT

OCTOBER, 1974

65 Veterinarians Reporting.....	37 Counties Reporting.....	30 Diseases Reported
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DISEASES AND SPECIES:CATTLE:

Abscess.....
 Actinobacillosis.....
 Anaplasmosis.....
 Anthrax.....
 Arthritis.....
 Bacillary hemoglobinuria
 Brisket edema.....
 Cancer eye.....
 Coccidiosis.....
 Foot-rot.....
 Helminthiasis.....
 Infectious keratitis.
 Leptospirosis.....
 Malignant catarrhal fever
 Mastitis.....
 Metritis.....
 Pediculosis.....
 Pulmonary emphysema..
 Rhinotracheitis.....
 Shipping fever.....
 Urolithiasis.....
 Vibriosis.....
 Virus diarrhea.....

SHEEP:

Enterotoxemia.....

SWINE:

Atrophic rhinitis....
 Erysipelas.....
 Scabies.....

HORSES:

Distemper.....
 Encephalomyelitis....
 Influenza.....

DOGS:

Distemper.....
 Infectious hepatitis..
 Leptospirosis.....

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 Helminthiasis.....
 Infectious keratitis..
 Leptospirosis.....
 Malignant catarrhal fever
 Mastitis.....
 Metritis.....
 Pediculosis.....
 Pulmonary emphysema...
 Rhinotracheitis.....
 Shipping fever.....
 Urolithiasis.....
 Vibriosis.....
 Virus diarrhea.....

SHEEP:

Enterotoxemia.....

SWINE:

Atrophic rhinitis....
 Erysipelas.....
 Scabies.....

HORSES:

Distemper.....
 Encephalomyelitis....
 Influenza.....

DOGS:

Distemper.....
 Infectious hepatitis..
 Leptospirosis.....

TOTAL CASES AND HERDS....

	TOTAL CASES	TOTAL HERDS
	2	1
	135	74
	39	9
	6	4
	5	2
	5	4
	1	1
	166	102
	89	16
	3	2
	36	6
	52	32
	20	4
	1	1
	8	4
	2	1
	1	1
	125	45
	34	8
	318	42
	62	42
	81	5
	11	3
	20	4
	1	1
	13	4
	30	1
	47	15
	2	2
	13	8
	90	68
	4	4
	1	1
	1423	517

MONTANA VETERINARIAN'S ANIMAL DISEASE REPORTINDEX OF COUNTIES

NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY	NO.	COUNTY
1.....	Silverbow	20.....	Valley	30.....	Fallon
2.....	Cascade	21.....	Toole	40.....	Sweet Grass
3.....	Yellowstone	22.....	Big Horn	41.....	McCone
4.....	Missoula	23.....	Musselshell	42.....	Carter
5.....	Lewis & Clark	24.....	Blaine	43.....	Broadwater
6.....	Gallatin	25.....	Madison	44.....	Wheatland
7.....	Flathead	26.....	Pondera	45.....	Prairie
8.....	Fergus	27.....	Richland	46.....	Granite
9.....	Powder River	28.....	Powell	47.....	Meagher
10.....	Carbon	29.....	Rosebud	48.....	Liberty
11.....	Phillips	30.....	Deer Lodge	49.....	Park
12.....	Hill	31.....	Teton	50.....	Garfield
13.....	Ravalli	32.....	Stillwater	51.....	Jefferson
14.....	Custer	33.....	Treasure	52.....	Wibaux
15.....	Lake	34.....	Sheridan	53.....	Golden Valley
16.....	Dawson	35.....	Sanders	54.....	Mineral
17.....	Roosevelt	36.....	Judith Basin	55.....	Petroleum
18.....	Beaverhead	37.....	Daniels	56.....	Lincoln
19.....	Chouteau	38.....	Glacier		



EXCERPTS AND SUMMARIES OF CHANGE IN PROGRAMS OF REGULATIONS AFFECTING
MOVEMENT OF LIVESTOCK

COLORADO - Cattle - Brucellosis Import Regulations

A. MODIFIED CERTIFIED AREA

All females and bulls 6 months of age and over, shall originate from herds not known to be infected with Brucellosis and shall be negative to an official Brucellosis test within 30 days of importation. Results of the test must be recorded on an official health certificate.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. Cattle originating directly from a certified Brucellosis free herd with herd number and date of last herd test shown on the official health certificate.
2. Cattle originating directly from herd not under quarantine in a certified free area.
3. Official Brucellosis calfhood vaccinated heifers of beef breeds under 24 months of age and dairy breeds under 20 months of age, provided they are not parturient (springers) or post-parturient. Vaccination identification must be legible.
4. Cattle for immediate slaughter, if consigned directly to a state or federally approved packing plant. Should be identified at slaughter establishment, unless lot numbers are maintained so trace can be made.
5. Cattle consigned to an approved market to be sold for immediate slaughter, to approved feedlots, or to be tested and negative for Brucellosis. They are to be accompanied by a waybill or certificate signed by the owner or shipper stating the origin and destination, address of owner and number and description of animals. Further, each animal is to be identified at origin with official market cattle backtags, or, identified with such tags at time of unloading at the market. These tags must remain on the animals at the sale and serve as identification on those going direct to slaughter.
6. Cattle moving direct to a Colorado State-approved feedlot.

B. NON-MODIFIED CERTIFIED AREA

All females and bulls from areas not modified certified shall meet the minimum requirements spelled out in the Uniform Methods and Rules for Brucellosis Eradication. They must originate from qualified herds (herds with a complete negative test within the past 12 months) and a test of the animals moving within 30 days of movement; or they can move direct to slaughter, or direct to a quarantine feedlot and identified.

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NEBRASKA - Cattle Import Requirements for Brucellosis

Further clarification of items #5 and #6 which was reported in For Your Information, Issue 7-74.

5. Heifers of the beef breeds under eighteen (18) months of age may enter for feeding purposes only by meeting one of the following:
 - a. Either by permit and health certificate. The health certificate is to bear the permit number and an accurate count and description of the animals covered.
 - b. Or, consigned to an approved market in Nebraska.
6. All imported market test cattle moving directly from farm or ranch to an approved market in Nebraska must have a negative test within the previous thirty (30) days, or be tested at the market prior to sale, or be sold for slaughter only. Market test cattle are not to move from market to market without a negative test performed at point of first concentration or tested negative within previous thirty (30) days.

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